

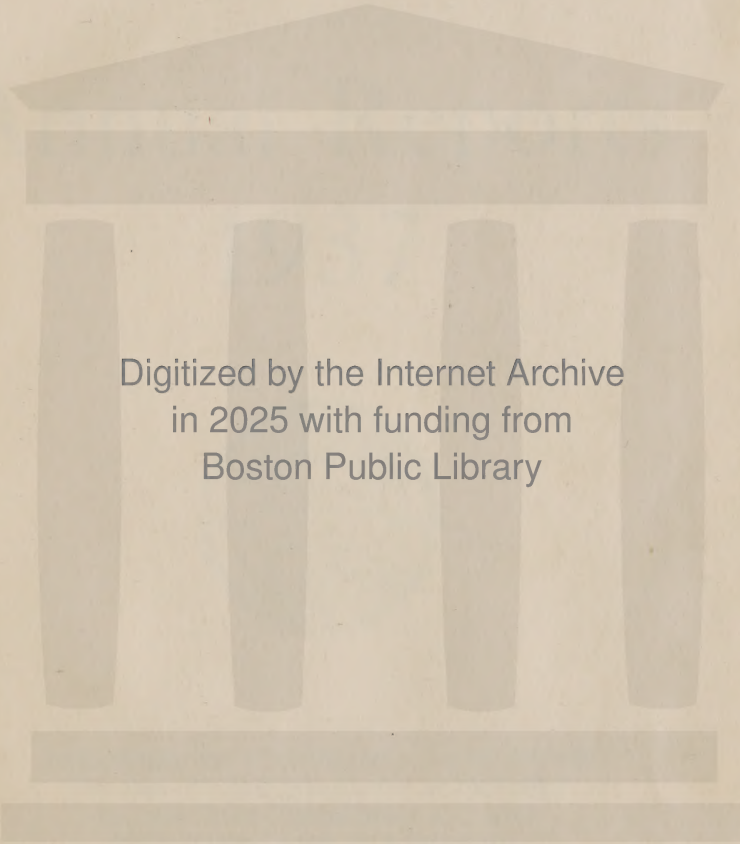
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GOVERNMENT

OF THE

City of Melrose, 1937

Mayor

ROBERT A. PERKINS

64 Vinton Street

President of the Board of Aldermen

GEORGE G. BAKER

38 Dyer Avenue

City Clerk

VICTOR C. KIRMES

(Retired August 1, 1937)

543 Lebanon Street

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW

38 Laurel Street

Aldermen-at-Large

Albert M. Tibbetts, 35 Cedar Park

Walter W. Bruce, 260 West Wyoming Avenue

Herman A. Black, 68 Wentworth Road

Willard Thompson, 504 Lebanon Street

Ward Aldermen

1. George G. Baker, 38 Dyer Avenue
2. Frank E. Keniston, 52 Lovell Road
3. Lawrence J. Lucey, 112 Cottage Street
4. John H. Amadon, 10 School Street
5. Francis P. Sammet, 27 Melbourne Avenue
6. Theodore J. Vaitses, 15 Laurel Street
7. Joseph I. Meharg, 495 Swain's Pond Avenue

Committees of the Board

Appropriations

Alderman Tibbetts, Chairman; Aldermen Black, Thompson,
Keniston, Lucey, Amadon, Sammet, Meharg,
Bruce and Vaitses

Education, Health and Public Welfare

Alderman Sammet, Chairman; Aldermen Keniston, Black,
Bruce and Vaitses

Financial and Legal Matters

Alderman Thompson, Chairman; Aldermen Tibbetts, Keniston,
Bruce and Vaitses

Highways

Alderman Black, Chairman; Aldermen Amadon, Lucey,
Sammet and Meharg

Protection, License and Public Service

Alderman Meharg, Chairman; Aldermen Lucey, Amadon,
Thompson and Tibbetts

Clerk of Committees

Raymond H. Greenlaw

38 Laurel Street

(Resigned October 4, 1937)

Wesley H. Murray

12 W. Wyoming Avenue

City Officers and Office Hours

The offices hereinafter named shall be open to the public for the transaction of business from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. daily except Saturdays, Sundays and Legal Holidays, viz. the offices of the City Clerk, City Collector, Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works, Board of Assessors, Board of Health, Board of Public Welfare, City Treasurer and City Auditor; and on Saturdays the said offices shall be open as aforesaid from 8 a. m. to 12 noon, except when a legal holiday falls on a Saturday. The aforesaid offices shall be open on the first and third Mondays of every month from 7.00 p. m. to 9 p. m., and all other Monday evenings from 7.00 p. m. to 8 p. m., except during the months of July and August. (Chapter 33, Section 10, of the Revised Ordinances.)

City Clerk

Victor C. Kirmes
(Retired August 1, 1937)
Raymond H. Greenlaw

Assistant City Clerk

E. Maude Brown

City Treasurer and Collector

S. Homer Buttrick

City Auditor

Gardner B. Wardwell

Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works

Fred E. Ellis

City Solicitor

Thomas McKie

Mayor's Secretary

Blanche E. Nickerson

CITY OF MELROSE**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

ChiefFrank C. Newman

Deputy ChiefCharles F. Woodward

Fire WardenFrank C. Newman

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CaptainLouis B. Heaton

LieutenantWilliam T. Fahy

Building CommissionerMalcolm B. Fillmore

Inspector of PlumbingFred A. Young

Inspector of Animals and SlaughteringBertram S. Killian, V.S.

Inspector of Milk and VinegarHarold R. Munro

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Wesley H. Murray

CITY OFFICERS

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Burial Agent and Agent for State and Military Aid and Soldiers' Relief

Mary A. Kenah

Assessors

Norman MacDonald, Chairman

Frederick W. Patten

Frank J. Sherman

Lawrence E. Lovejoy, Executive Clerk

Assistant Assessors

Bertha V. Camerlin

Mable G. Crocker

Harriet C. Holdich

Eugene L. Pack

Alice P. Pollard

Charles E. Roeder

Frank Wheeler

Inspector of Wires

Fred A. Edwards

Board of Health

Dr. Clarence P. Holden, Chairman (Retired September 1, 1937)

Dr. Melvin S. McLeod, Chairman (for unexpired term)

Arthur A. Hayden

Dr. Albert E. Small (for unexpired term)

City Physician

Dr. Clarence P. Holden (Retired September 1, 1937)

Dr. Donato T. Scenna (Acting)

Dr. Francis J. McNamara (for unexpired term)

School Physicians

Dr. Edward L. Marr

Dr. Kenneth A. Maclachlan

Dr. Donato T. Scenna

CITY OF MELROSE

Board of Public Welfare

Roy M. Cushman, Chairman

Adeline G. Reed, Alice M. Fay, Helen S. Campbell, Luther B. Gaines,
 Laura A. Talbot, Superintendent

Park Commission

Arthur M. Goggin, Chairman	Term	Expires	1939
Elmer O. Goodridge	"	"	1940
Joseph R. Hebblethwaite	"	"	1938
Grace T. Hume	"	"	1941
Walter C. Verge	"	"	1942
George W. Rogers, Superintendent			

Board of Appeal

George H. Varney, Chairman	Term	Expires	1939
Lloyd E. Conn	"	"	1942
Lewis C. Hennigar	"	"	1939
Charles H. Hunter	"	"	1941
Royal B. Wills			Holdover
Edwin H. King, Clerk			

Superintendent of Schools

Herman H. Stuart

School Committee Members

Benning L. Wentworth, Chairman	Term	Expires	1938
Margaret H. Lang, Cor. Sec'y	"	"	1940
Charles H. Adams	"	"	1940
Warren L. Adams	"	"	1938
Geoffrey G. Felt	"	"	1938
Robert A. Friend	"	"	1940
Maude M. Johnson	"	"	1938
Ralph D. Leonard	"	"	1938
Edward J. Wall	"	"	1940

CITY OFFICERS

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Trustees of Memorial Building

Leon H. Palmer, Chairman	Term Expires	1939
Leslie B. Ellis	" "	1939
Louis K. McNally	" "	1940
Charles L. Robinson	" "	1940
Leon B. Smith	" "	1938

Trustees of Public Library

Rev. Paul Sterling, Chairman	Term Expires	1939
Frank W. Campbell	" "	1938
Thomas E. Hannegan	" "	1940
Carita H. Lovejoy	" "	1938
Myrtie F. Seaverns	" "	1940
Dr. Willis M. Townsend	" "	1939

Cemetery Committee

Carl F. Shaw, Chairman

Albert G. Armington	Frederick T. Peabody
Linwood A. Leavitt, Acting Superintendent	

Inspector of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

Roscoe C. Wallace

Registrars of Voters

Edwin L. Cragin, Chairman	Term Expires	1940
Charles E. Holt	" "	1939
John J. Keating	" "	1938
Victor C. Kirmes, City Clerk (To Aug. 1st)	Ex-officio	
Raymond H. Greenlaw, City Clerk (From Aug. 1st)	Ex-officio	

Dog Officer

M. James Hanley

Planning Board

Roger G. Rand, Chairman	Term Expires 1939
Agnes E. Hatch, Secretary	" " 1939
William L. Bailey	" " 1938
Charlotte H. Bolton	" " 1940
Joseph G. Bryer	" " 1938
Allen L. Giles	" " 1940
George G. Glover	" " 1938
Mabel C. Marsh	" " 1939
Ernest G. Mortenson	" " 1940

Board of Survey

William E. Waterhouse, Chairman	Term Expires 1938
Edwin E. Prior	" " 1939
Rufus W. Smith	" " 1940

Retirement Board

Gardner B. Wardwell, Chairman	City Auditor
John R. Davis	Term Expires 1940
Raymond H. Greenlaw, Secretary	" " 1938

Fence Viewers

Daniel J. Lucey Willis A. Smith

Constables

Louis B. Heaton
 William T. Fahy
 M. James Hanley
 Wesley H. Murray
 Frank P. Holmes
 Arthur W. Kimball

Keeper of the Lock-Up

Louis B. Heaton

Report of Board of Appeal

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen.

In accordance with the provision of Chapter XXIX of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Melrose, I have the honor to submit herewith the annual report of the Board of Appeal for the year 1938.

On January 26, 1937 the Board organized for the year by electing George H. Varney, Chairman, and re-electing Edwin H. King, Secretary.

On April 1, Mr. Thomas L. Thistle tendered his resignation to the Mayor. As this was not accepted immediately Mr. Thistle continued to serve on the Board until October when his successor, Mr. Lloyd E. Conn, was appointed.

As in other years, the Board continued to exercise its powers with customary caution, always keeping in mind the welfare of the City as a whole and guarding this by strict adherence to the Zoning Ordinances.

The Board of Appeal has another reason for being in existence, namely to relieve any hardship brought about by the Zoning Ordinance. When the rights of a property owner are in jeopardy, when progress is being impeded or when, by allowing a variance, general good will result in a locality, then the Board of Appeal must determine after very careful consideration the course which will result in the greatest good for the greatest number and make their decision on this basis.

A summary of the cases before the board this year, and the decision rendered in each case clearly indicate this attitude. The eighteen cases before the Board were handled as follows:

Decision of Building Commissioner upheld	7
Appeals granted	8
Appeals withdrawn	3

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Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. VARNEY, Chairman

Report of Board of Assessors

January 20, 1938

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Board of Aldermen:
Gentlemen:

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report of the Assessing Department for the year ending December 31, 1937.

Taxable Valuation of the City:

Real Estate	\$34,986,200.00
Personal Estate	2,420,000.00
Total Taxable Valuation	<u>\$37,406,200.00</u>

Tax Rate \$33.80 per \$1,000.00.

BUDGET

City Appropriations:

To be raised by taxation	\$1,416,969.65	
From Available Funds	138,894.78	\$1,555,864.43
1935 Overlay Deficit		3,167.76

State Assessments:

State Tax	\$64,400.00	
Charles River Basin Loan Fund	3,944.92	
Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund	14,473.79	
Metropolitan Planning Division	224.27	
Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund, Series 2	1,814.58	
Metropolitan Parks Loan Fund, Nan- tasket Maintenance	1,379.96	
Wellington Bridge, Maintenance	35.06	
Metropolitan Sewer Loan Sinking Fund, North	22,612.66	
Metropolitan Water Loan Sinking Fund	63,508.76	
Abatement of Smoke Nuisance	383.87	
Hospital or Home Care for Civil War Veterans	390.00	
West-Roxbury-Brookline Parkway	13.21	
Water to Saugus	240.00	173,421.08
Carried Forward		<u>\$1,732,453.27</u>

County Assessments:

County Tax	\$56,912.59	
Tuberculosis Hospital	15,608.79	\$72,521.38
Overlay Current Year		15,889.11
		\$1,820,863.76

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	\$89,211.75	
Corporation Tax	11,415.67	\$100,627.42
Motor Vehicle Excise	47,000.00	
Licenses	3,500.00	
Fines	300.00	
General Government	7,000.00	
Health and Sanitation	9,500.00	
Highways	16,500.00	
Charities	16,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	31,000.00	
Soldiers' Benefits	3,000.00	
Schools	5,000.00	
Recreation	100.00	
Public Service Enterprises	101,000.00	
Cemeteries (Except from Trust Funds and Sale of Lots)	5,000.00	
Interest on Assessments	7,000.00	
Interest on Taxes	20,000.00	
Apportioned Betterments	27,000.00	
Tax Titles, Interest, and Costs	3,800.00	
Veterans' Exemption	100.00	302,800.00
Total Estimated Receipts		\$403,427.42
Available Funds		138,894.78
Total Deductions		\$542,322.20
Net Amount raised by Taxation		\$1,278,541.56
Polls — 7,106 at \$2.00		\$14,212.00
Valuation — \$37,406,200.00 at \$33.80		1,264,329.56
		\$1,278,541.56

Number of persons, partnerships, and corporations assessed

on property	6,577
Number of persons assessed for Poll Tax	7,106
Number of horses assessed	18
Number of cows assessed	166
Number of dwellings assessed	5,674

VALUATION OF EXEMPTED PROPERTY

	Personal	Real Estate
Charitable Institutions	\$5,500.00	\$39,700.00
Cemeteries	500.00	22,400.00
Benevolent Institutions	265,000.00	327,900.00
Metropolitan District		17,000.00
Organizations of War Veterans	2,000.00	10,000.00
Houses of Religious Worship	40,000.00	900,900.00
Literary Institutions	11,500.00	101,900.00
	<u>\$324,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,419,800.00</u>

The following taxes outside those levied at the tax rate were committed to the collector:

Sewer Taxes apportioned	\$8,070.45	
Sidewalk Taxes apportioned	9,266.25	
Street Taxes apportioned	9,602.12	
Interest apportioned	6,840.06	\$33,778.88
	<u></u>	<u></u>
Sewer Taxes unapportioned	4,135.77	
Sidewalk Taxes unapportioned	2,604.29	
Street Taxes unapportioned	11,100.56	
Interest unapportioned	41.45	\$17,882.07
	<u></u>	<u></u>
Additional Polls (70)		<u>\$140.00</u>

During the year 24,112 items were committed to the Collector for collection.

The W. P. A. project which was creating the Assessors' plans, checking and verifying the deeds of each parcel in the City, was completed in 1937 with the entire City covered. Incidental to this work was the compilation of a reference file with the latest deed data. This department, during the past few years, has become outstanding throughout the State for the completeness and accuracy of its records.

Substantial improvement has also been made in the housing of all records in steel files. The wisdom of so doing was demonstrated when the fire in City Hall released tons of water in the office without a single record being destroyed or damaged.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN D. MacDONALD

FRANK J. SHERMAN

FREDERICK W. PATTEN

Board of Assessors

ADDENDUM

Year	Census	Dwellings	Polls	Value Buildings	Value Land	Total Val. Real Estate	Value Personal Estate	Total Valuation	Rate per \$1,000	City Appropriation	Sewerage Tax	Park Tax	State Tax	County Tax	Overlay	Total Tax Levy	Year
1917	17,275	3,958	5,007	11,326,050	5,916,790	17,242,750	1,530,000	18,772,750	23.40	379,561.18	17,657.22	*1,834.04 10,464.99 1,974.84 200.54	*200.00 43,450.00 200.54	*289.30 19,871.65 225.67			
1918	17,358	3,964	5,043	11,519,250	5,912,150	17,431,400	1,644,975	19,076,375	23.40	413,680.07	18,851.06	10,587.62 2,007.80 12,182.89	43,450.00 208.65 45,474.00	21,532.85 205.30 22,040.33	11,719.08	449,404.35	1917
1919	18,114	3,973	5,169	12,269,650	6,048,425	18,252,075	1,951,500	20,203,575	26.20	488,671.38	18,714.38	2,131.59 284.41 12,381.78	45,474.00 284.41 57,774.00	22,040.33 286.41 23,232.39	8,045.26	507,830.22	1919
1920	18,371	3,981	4,885	12,739,350	6,079,350	18,578,800	2,206,600	21,085,400	29.50	569,876.17	19,111.76	*2,177.13 13,576.76 *2,264.37	57,774.00 15,453.34 14,067.11	23,232.39 182.60 23,667.67	9,098.07	608,821.11	1920
1921	18,670	4,010	4,661	13,453,550	6,417,750	19,871,300	2,606,050	22,477,350	30.80	623,903.04	23,447.16	2,213.39 1,935.89 14,067.11	57,774.00 15,453.34 46,560.00	23,667.67 724.32 29,576.48	10,697.21	777,502.38	1921
1922	18,964	4,048	5,424	14,017,500	6,469,050	20,486,550	2,617,950	23,104,500	32.60	684,835.78	21,359.60	15,293.01 2,441.56 15,503.70	46,560.00 46,560.00 38,890.00	23,667.67 23,667.67 30,876.18	18,272.06	834,826.70	1922
1923	19,368	4,106	5,492	16,198,650	6,570,350	22,769,000	2,710,800	25,479,800	30.80	715,248.68	23,547.37	2,388.03 2,441.56 15,503.70	46,560.00 47,168 38,890.00	28,652.62 237.98 30,876.18	20,795.85	871,660.64	1923
1924	20,197	4,208	5,658	17,404,450	6,823,300	24,228,250	2,978,700	27,206,950	30.60	772,887.24	22,848.59	2,388.03 17,142.06 *2,593.26	46,560.00 47,040.00 16,297.87	24,909.00 35,829.68 254.72	22,334	904,991.57	1924
1925	20,302	4,311	5,815	18,699,000	6,875,500	25,574,500	3,183,200	28,757,700	32.20	850,764.17	25,330.96	19,505.23 2,603.30 3,235.32	47,040.00 436.05 408.10	35,829.68 39,379.87 255.04	17,848.88	998,511.51	1925
1926	20,865	4,449	5,994	20,467,600	7,317,500	27,785,100	3,481,900	31,270,000	32.10	925,465.94	26,278.73	3,235.32 231.68 302.58	47,040.00 436.05 408.10	39,379.87 255.04	14,812.61	1,080,024.45	1926
1927	21,652	4,575	6,268	21,854,250	7,363,350	29,217,600	3,558,500	32,776,100	31.20	946,741.98	27,452.61	19,880.42 1,952.55 2,513.34	47,040.00 588.00 282.84	41,025.11	10,530.11	1,102,970.51	1927
1928	22,587	4,708	6,591	23,575,450	7,479,300	31,054,750	3,526,450	34,581,200	31.60	1,043,604.08	27,025.33	397.26 38.88 2,961.86	47,040.00 588.00 273.27	41,025.11	10,530.11	1,190,639.22	1928
1929	23,440	4,858	6,684	25,120,150	7,693,400	32,813,550	2,226,425	35,039,975	33.60	1,167,879.76	26,793.55	634.97 786.90 1,435.56	40,800.00 37,315.00 273.27	39,291.06	14,719.84	1,290,639.22	1929
1930	23,566	4,912	6,826	25,861,450	7,676,600	33,538,050	2,372,000	35,910,050	33.20	1,288,131.03	18,533.02	21,063.33 3,440.87 217.11	40,800.00 37,315.00 107.20	46,424.10	21,885.53	1,390,711.16	1930
1931	23,712	4,987	7,027	26,265,500	7,792,300	34,057,800	2,480,100	36,537,900	35.20	1,394,583.11	18,525.48	2,279.25 11,977.86	40,800.00 37,315.00 40.00	50,722.91	14,101.74	1,451,671.66	1931
1932	23,783	5,035	7,116	26,678,850	7,887,000	34,565,850	2,255,100	36,820,950	31.80	1,327,235.27	17,334.15	26,965.45 4,326.09 419.85	37,315.00 688.32 6,353.30	50,722.91	14,101.74	1,570,163.46	1932
1933	23,584	5,076	7,240	26,649,700	7,931,200	34,580,900	2,108,600	36,689,500	33.60	1,348,025.24	16,643.37	789.18 280.00 25,998.96	53,388.63 53,388.63 36,000.00	59,803.18	15,978.06	1,659,712.59	1933
1934	23,565	5,432	7,299	26,718,150	7,896,500	34,614,650	2,076,550	36,691,200	33.00	1,356,488.97	15,919.98	4,619.94 740.70	53,388.63 53,388.63 50,722.91	59,803.18	15,978.06	1,769,272.70	1934
1935	24,256	5,455	7,575	26,682,550	7,979,650	34,662,200	2,200,200	36,862,400	36.00	1,472,523.20	15,900.00	161,818.77 58,458.65 1,357,988.36	53,388.63 53,388.63 53,388.63	59,803.18	15,978.06	1,823,287.89	1935
1936	23,924	5,497	7,577	26,544,150	7,966,900	34,511,050	2,145,200	36,656,250	32.00	1,416,969.65	13,948.97	252,452.98 138,894.78	53,388.63 53,388.63 53,388.63	59,803.18	15,978.06	1,823,287.89	1936
1937	23,891	5,674	7,106	27,013,900	7,972,300	34,986,200	2,420,000	37,406,200	33.80	1,416,969.65	22,612.65		53,388.63 53,388.63 53,388.63	59,803.18	15,978.06	1,823,287.89	1937

*Other State Taxes
*Receipts

Report of Board of Health

of the

City of Melrose

for the year ending December 31, 1937

Organization of Board

Clarence P. Holden, M.D., Chairman; Melvin S. McLeod, M.D.,
Arthur A. Hayden.
Lillian H. Willey, Clerk

School Physicians

Edward L. Marr, M.D., Walter H. Flanders, M.D.,
Donato T. Scenna, M.D.

School Nurses

Myrtle S. Meriam, R.N., Elsie M. Ashmead, R.N.

Public Health Nurse

(part time)

Myrtle S. Meriam, R.N.

Inspectors

Plumbing, Fred A. Young
Milk, Harold R. Munro
Animals, Bertram S. Killian, D. V. M.

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Health herewith respectfully submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1937.

GENERAL HEALTH: The total number of deaths was 296 as against 280 for the previous year. There was an apparent increase in the number of deaths from pneumonia.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES:

Diphtheria, only one case and no deaths. The Schick treatment for the prevention of diphtheria is still carried on as in previous years.

Scarlet Fever, 49 cases and no deaths, an increase over the number reported for the past two years.

Typhoid Fever, there were four cases of typhoid fever with one death, a non-resident. There were also eight cases of para-typhoid.

Tuberculosis, while there were eleven cases of pulmonary tuberculosis reported, there were only two deaths, the lowest record for many years.

Measles, 362 cases and no deaths.

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN: This work was carried on in the public schools as in previous years.

BAKERY INSPECTION: All bakeries were inspected and found satisfactory.

NUISANCES: Complaints received, 36, number with no cause for complaint 12, abated 24.

BOARDING HOUSES FOR INFANTS: The Board approved 8 applications for licenses to maintain boarding houses for infants.

Dr. Holden, chairman of the Board of Health for over thirty years, retired October 1, 1937 and Dr. Melvin S. McLeod was elected chairman. Dr. Albert E. Small was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board.

The Board wishes at this time to go on record to express its appreciation of the very valuable services which the retiring chairman, Dr. Holden has rendered the city during his long term of office. He has virtually served as a full-time health officer and in his conduct of his office has been the indirect means of saving many thousands of dollars for the city.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR A. HAYDEN

A. E. SMALL, M.D.

Board of Health

TABLE I
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
(See Auditor's Report)

Total Appropriation	1936	Totals 1936	1937	Totals 1937
		\$21,820.62		\$20,816.45
EXPENDITURES				
General Administration		\$3,032.37		\$3,417.77
Salary of Clerk	\$1,600.00		\$1,600.00	
Substitute Clerk	40.00		30.00	
Salary of Board	1,300.00		1,193.33	
Acting City Physician			500.00	
Telephone	67.58		68.44	
Stationery and Postage	21.50		25.00	
Sundries	3.29		1.00	
Other Expenses		1,901.13		2,090.26
Plumbing Inspection	1,650.00		1,650.00	
Burial Dead Animals	107.25		123.00	
Dumps and Dump Signs ...	7.50		4.95	
Medicine	7.93		8.09	
Office Supplies	47.39		151.00	
Ads. and Reports	3.00			
Car Maintenance	64.40		136.38	
Sundries	13.66		16.84	
Quarantine and Contagious Disease		884.30		1,761.15
Maintenance Patients in Hospitals	731.10		1,611.94	
Anti-rabic and Immunizing Treatments	129.65		84.35	
Medical Supplies	17.55		15.33	
Sundries	6.00		49.53	
Inspection		5,079.17		5,200.00
School Physicians	900.00		900.00	
Public Health and School Nurses	3,179.17		3,300.00	
Milk Inspection	800.00		800.00	
Inspection Animals and Slaughtering	200.00		200.00	
Tuberculosis		10,275.28		7,393.19
Outside Aid	770.48		1,243.44	
†Board and Supplies in Hospitals	9,504.80		6,141.50	
Medicine and Sputum Cups			8.25	
Care and Disposal of Stray Animals	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Total Expenditures		21,422.25		20,112.37
Revenues of Board of Health		191.00		510.50
Licenses and Permits	125.00		132.00	
Reimbursements	66.00		378.50	

TABLE II

CASES AND DEATHS OF DISEASES DANGEROUS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH (By months)

This table includes all cases (with their deaths) irrespective of whether cases were transported into the city from elsewhere or were contracted outside the city; also all Melrose cases dying in hospitals out of town.

Months	Tuberculosis												Totals														
	Diphtheria				Scarlet Fever		Typhoid Fever		Measles		Whooping Cough			Ophthalmia Neonatorum		Poliomyelitis		Smallpox		Pulmonary and Miliary				Meningeal		Other Forms	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths		Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
January	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	
February	0	0	10	0	1	3	12	0	3	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	1	
March	0	0	13	0	1	12	60	0	12	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	2	
April	0	0	8	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	75	0
May	0	0	2	0	0	0	105	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	117	1	
June	1	0	2	0	1	0	154	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	165	0	
July	0	0	3	0	1	0	26	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	
August	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	
September	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	
October	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	
November	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	
December	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	
TOTALS	1	0	49	0	5	1	363	0	65	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	11	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	500	4	

Note: — There were eight cases of para-typhoid fever reported.

TABLE III

CASES AND DEATHS OF CERTAIN DISEASES FOR TEN YEARS

This table includes all cases (with their deaths), irrespective of whether cases were transported into the city from elsewhere or were contracted outside the city; also all deaths of Melrose cases dying in hospitals out of town.

Years	Diphtheria		Scarlet Fever	Typhoid Fever	Measles		Whooping Cough		Ophthalmia Neonatorum		Poliomyelitis		Smallpox		Pulmonary and Miliary				Meningeal		Other Forms		
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	
1928	13	1	112	2	2	5	394	1	38	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	20	9	2	0	2	0	8
1929	10	2	46	0	1	0	15	1	15	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	16	4	0	0	4	0	5
1930	10	0	34	0	1	0	46	0	32	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	24	8	4	0	4	0	8
1931	8	0	77	0	8	1	33	0	15	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	19	10	0	0	0	0	1
1932	13	2	133	2	2	2	168	0	46	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	8	1	0	1	0	9
1933	0	0	63	0	5	2	23	0	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	6	0	0	2	0	2
1934	2	0	83	0	0	0	584	2	26	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	19	3	1	0	2	0	2
1935	0	0	27	0	0	0	12	0	7	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	10	5	0	0	0	0	1
1936	3	0	25	0	2	0	102	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	9	0	0	0	0	1
1937	1	0	49	0	4	1	362	0	51	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	11	2	1	1	1	0	1

TABLE IV
INFANT MORTALITY
(Not including stillbirths)

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TABLE V INFANT MORTALITY

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TABLE VI
CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

DISEASES	Under 5 years	5 to 9 years	10 to 14 years	15 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 to 74 years	75 and over	Total
Anterior	M	1	1	1								3
Poliomyelitis	F			1								1
Chicken-pox	M	10	1			1						12
	F	10	6									20
	M		1									1
Diphtheria	F											0
	M	3	10	5	2	2	5	6	1	1		47
Dog-bite	F	12	3	1			2	1				14
German	M	5					2					7
Measles	F	1										1
	M											0
	F	3		6	1	2	6	3	3	1	2	29
Lobar Pneumonia	M	2		2	1	3	4	2		3		20
	F	3		2	1							75
	M	23	21	6								175
Measles	F	133	32	3	1							187
	M	2										2
Mumps	F			2	1							4
	M	2	5	6	1		1					22
Scarlet Fever	F	7	8	5								27
	M	9			1							1
Septic Sore Throat	F											0
Suppurative	M											1
Conjunctivitis	F											1
Tuberculosis	M	1		1		1	1	2	2	1		8
(Pulmonary)	F							1	1			3
Tuberculosis	M	1							1			2
(other forms)	F											0
	M											2
Typhoid Fever	F		1			1						2
	M		1									2
Paratyphoid B)	F		2					1				3
	M				3							6
Whooping-cough	F	1										26
	M	15	4									19
	F	16	2	2								25

TABLE VII
INFANT MORTALITY

Year	Births	Deaths of Children under one year	Rate of mortality of children under one year per 1,000 of children born
1931	648	15	23.15
1932	579	16	27.63
1933	543	21	38.65
1934	497	16	32.19
1935	535	13	24.29
1936	506	12	23.71
1937	516	13	25.19

There were 11 stillbirths during the year 1937.

Deaths in Melrose, 1937	Males	132
	Females	164
	Total	296

Of these deaths, children under one year 13
 persons over sixty years 165

Classified as follows as to Cause: (Third Revision).

	Males	Females
I Epidemic, Endemic and Infectious Diseases	2	2
II General Diseases not included in Class I ...	17	25
III Diseases of the Nervous System and of the Organs of Special Sense	19	24
IV Diseases of the Circulatory System	50	71
V Diseases of the Respiratory System	14	11
VI Diseases of the Digestive System	12	3
VII Nonvenereal Diseases of the Genitourinary System and Annexa	2	5
VIII The Puerperal State	0	1
IX Diseases of the Skin and of the Cellular Tissue	0	1
XI Malformations	1	2
XII Early Infancy	4	4
XIV External Causes	9	10
XV Ill-defined Diseases	2	5

TABLE VIII

ESTIMATED POPULATION JANUARY 1, 1937, 23,891

	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Apparent death rate per						
1,000 population	10.47	12.32	10.95	11.05	11.70	12.39
*Corrected death rate per						
1,000 population	10.93	12.32	10.39	11.25	11.26	12.05

*Eliminate deaths of non-residents and add deaths of Melrose residents dying elsewhere.

Report of Inspector of Plumbing

Permits granted for plumbing in new buildings	87
Permits granted for plumbing in old buildings	247
Total	334
Total number of permits, work approved	332
Number of permits cancelled	4
Number of water tests	114
Number of visits of inspection	691
Sinks installed	220
Wash trays installed	160
Water closets installed	326
Bath tubs installed	180
Wash bowls installed	308
Pressure boilers installed	120
Shower baths installed	43
Other miscellaneous fixtures installed	26
New buildings connected to sewer	70
New buildings connected to cesspools	14
Old buildings connected to sewer, inside connection	12
Old buildings connected to sewer, outside connection	6

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. YOUNG,
Inspector of Plumbing

Report of the Inspector of Milk

To the Board of Health,
Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Inspector of Milk herewith respectfully submits his report for the year 1937.

INSPECTIONS:

Pasteurizing plants	138
Dairies within city limits	8
Dairies outside city limits	38
Dairies re-inspected	24
Stores and restaurants	268

SAMPLES COLLECTED:

Market milk	201
Grade A milk	116
Raw, market	12
Raw, to pasteurizing plants	24
Ice cream	28

LABORATORY REPORT:

Analyses Milk, Chemical	343
Below Standard	6
Bacteriological Examinations	353
Above Legal Standard	8
Chemical analysis and bacteriological examination of cream and ice cream	28

Bacterial counts on milk samples were divided as follows:

MARKET MILK

State Standard 50,000 bacteria per cc.

0 to 1,000	3 % of samples collected
1,001 to 5,000	57.2% " " "
5,001 to 10,000	26.4% " " "

10,001 to 15,000	5	%	"	"	"
15,001 to 25,000	5	%	"	"	"
Over 25,000	3	%	"	"	"

GRADE A MILK

State Standard 15,000 bacteria per cc.

0 to 1,000	9.5%	of samples collected		
1,001 to 5,000	76.7%	"	"	"
5,001 to 10,000	11.2%	"	"	"
10,001 to 15,000	2.6%	"	"	"

**REPORT SHOWING THE QUALITY OF MILK SOLD
IN MELROSE. AVERAGE FOR THE YEAR 1937****Market Milk**

Dealer	Milk Fat %	Total Solids %	Bacterial Count
(State Standard)	3.35	12.00	40,000
Antune, George E.	3.95	12.11	5,300
Downing, Albert W.	3.95	12.45	19,000
Forbes Milk Co.	3.93	12.62	19,700
Hampden Creamery	3.87	12.59	5,700
Hanson, M.	4.30	13.38	900
Highland Dairy	4.28	13.10	12,100
Hood, H. P. & Sons	4.09	12.82	2,400
Howard Farm	3.94	12.73	20,000
Jones, W. T.	4.18	12.90	3,100
Kiley Farm	3.78	12.48	4,400
Lyndonville Creamery Association, (Speedwell Farms)	3.98	12.67	4,400
McAdams, J. J. & Bros.	3.87	12.64	5,100
Noble Milk Co.	4.09	12.66	2,800
Palmer, Harry	4.38	13.14	6,100
Parker, J. E.	4.25	13.07	7,900
Penny, H. J.	4.00	12.61	3,600
Potts & Harding	4.02	12.78	5,600
Prescott, J. B. Co. (Bedford Farms) .	4.11	12.84	5,400
Quinn, M. J.	4.08	12.78	3,300

Rautenberg, Adolf	4.00	12.70	5,400
Shawsheen Dairy	4.02	12.69	12,100
Simmons, Charles L.	4.42	13.38	9,800
Smith, Arland	4.24	12.99	9,100
Somerset Farms	4.20	12.88	3,000
Spear, C. W.	4.01	12.76	4,700
Victor, Umberto	4.17	13.01	2,300
Whitford, Allen	4.23	12.98	9,600
Whiting Milk Co.	3.88	12.59	3,000

Grade A Milk

(State Standard)	4.00		10,000
Forbes Milk Co.	4.54	13.95	6,300
Hood, H. P. & Sons	4.27	12.99	1,700
Jones, W. T.	4.50	13.51	1,100
Kiley Farm	4.06	12.67	1,600
Lyndonville Creamery Association ..	4.52	13.11	1,900
McAdams, J. F. & Sons	4.23	12.92	4,100
Noble Milk Co.	4.38	13.12	2,500
Potts & Harding	4.28	12.97	5,100
Prescott, J. B. (Bedford Farms)	4.44	13.11	3,100
Rautenberg, Adolf	4.32	13.06	3,500
Shawsheen Dairy	4.32	13.06	3,900
Simmons, C. L.	4.90	13.65	5,400
Smith, A. W.	4.40	13.02	4,800
Spear, C. W.	4.34	13.22	3,500
Victor, Umberto	4.50	13.51	1,100
Whiting Milk Co.	4.16	12.99	2,500

Market Raw Milk

Dealer	Milk Fat %	Total Solids %	Bacteria ¹ Count
(State Standard)	3.35	12.00	400,000
Fyfe, William J.	4.03	12.80	36,000
Kiley Farm	3.73	12.16	23,000
*Penny, H. J.	4.35	13.17	1,052,000

* License to sell raw milk revoked March 3, 1937.

Licenses and permits granted:

Milk, stores and dealers, oleomargerine, stores	160
Pasteurizing plants	2
Licenses suspended or revoked	2
Ice cream manufacturing	4
Dairy permits approved for State Milk Control Board permit ..	24
Dairy permits refused or revoked	8

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. MUNRO,

Inspector of Milk

Report of the Inspector of Animals

Board of Health,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1937.

During that period there were a number of dog-bite cases, a number of which were quarantined. There were no positive cases of rabies.

During the year there were 182 head of cattle examined at the annual cow-barn inspection; upon physical examination the cattle were found to be free from any contagious or infectious diseases.

January 8 - 11 the Federal Inspector applied the tuberculin test to three herds, there were three reactors, two at the Kiley Farm and one at Whitford and Browns. These cattle were removed from the herd and slaughtered. These two herds have been tested twice since and found to be free, no reactors.

The cow barns have been disinfected under my supervision, by methods required by the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry and the Division of Live Disease Control of Massachusetts.

Respectfully yours,

Signed, BERTRAM S. KILLIAN, D. V. M.
Inspector of Animals, Melrose

Report of the City Physician

Visits made for the Department of Public Welfare:	
To patients in their homes	740
Office calls	708
Hospital calls	22
Visits made for the Health Department:	
To patients in their homes	74
Visits of inspection and consultation	149
Visits for the Police Department	12
Examinations, order of the Mayor	10
Vaccinations,	95

Respectfully submitted,

DONATO T. SCENNA, M. D.,

Acting City Physician

Report of Board of Survey

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

The Board of Survey hereby submits its annual report for the year 1937.

The members of the Board are Messrs. William E. Waterhouse, Edwin E. Prior and Rufus W. Smith.

During the year the Board held public hearings and approved plans as follows:

Layout of new road called OLD BROOK ROAD, running northerly from Temple Boulevard. Plans were approved after grade was raised and provision made for sewer and surface drain pipes.

On petition for change in grade of Boardman Avenue easterly from Cochrane Street; and change in grade of Coolidge Road from Boardman Avenue northerly.

On proposed extension of Pearl Street.

Layout of new street called MEADOWVIEW ROAD, running northerly from Porter Street.

Layout of new street named STOWECROFT ROAD, running northerly from Lynn Fells Parkway. These plans were approved after fifteen foot easement had been granted for sewer and drainage purposes.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Budget — 1937	\$25.00	
Expended	13.75	
Balance		\$11.25

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF SURVEY

FRED E. ELLIS,
Secretary

Report of the Building Commissioner

To His Honor, the Mayor and Honorable Board of Aldermen:
Gentlemen:

For the year 1937 there were three hundred and forty-nine (349) building permits issued by this department, the total value of which amounts to \$577,294.00. This is a decline of eight (8) in number of permits issued, and a decline of \$67,156.00 in value over 1936.

There were eighty-two (82) permits issued for single dwellings in 1937, which is nine (9) more than were issued for 1936. The total value of these eighty-two (82) permits was \$459,500.00, which exceeds the value in 1936 by \$57,800.00.

The slight decline this year over 1936 really is not a decline in personal or taxable property constructed, for in the year 1936 there were four (4) permits issued at a value of \$64,950.00 for city owned property.

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED IN CITY OF MELROSE

January 1, 1937 to December 31, 1937

Classification	No.	Cost
Single dwellings	82	\$459,500.00
Garages	131	46,630.00
Alterations to dwellings	52	29,225.00
Other alterations	11	6,710.00
Office building	1	150.00
Shingling roofs	53	7,654.00
Church alteration	1	2,000.00
Ice House alteration	1	2,000.00
Change to 2-family dwelling	4	6,600.00
Fire damage repairs	7	11,475.00
Storage building	1	150.00
Loading platform	1	3,000.00
Move building	2	2,200.00
Building torn down	1	
Building condemned	1	
	349	\$577,294.00

Respectfully submitted,

MALCOLM G. FILLMORE,
Building Commissioner

Report of the Cemetery Committee

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with provisions of Chapter 22, Section 5, Revised Ordinances of 1932, City of Melrose, the Cemetery Committee herewith submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1937.

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND RECEIPTS AVAILABLE FOR DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Appropriations and Transfers	\$23,833.30	
Other Income	6,223.09	\$30,056.39
Expenditures		
From Appropriations and Transfers	\$21,103.73	
From Other Income	6,223.09	27,326.82
Unexpended Balance		
Allocated as follows:		
To Excess and Deficiency	\$49.10	
To 1938	2,681.02	\$2,730.12

DETAILS OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Appropriations and Transfers:

Maintenance, Improvements, Care of Soldiers' Graves	\$18,064.00	
Water Rates	100.00	
Purchase of Loam	700.00	
Purchase of Filling	600.00	
Repairs, Oiling of Roads and Avenues ...	600.00	
Purchase of Fertilizer and Grass Seed ...	150.00	
Purchase of Material (Pipe)	513.80	
Purchase of Material, Grading Sec. 3 and H	3,105.50	\$23,833.30

Expenditures:

Labor (Pay Rolls)	\$12,645.69
Cemetery Supplies	2,576.43
Office Expense	479.46
Gas, Oil, Truck Expense	1,086.92

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Insurance	293.76	
Oiling Roads	600.00	
Water Rates	59.38	
Purchase of Loam	699.21	
Purchase of Filling	600.00	
Purchase of Material (Pipe)	512.12	
Purchase of Material, Grading Sec. 3 and H	424.48	
Purchase of Fertilizer and Grass Seed ..	144.22	\$20,121.67

Unexpended Balance to Excess and Deficiency:

Maintenance, Improvements, Care of Sol- diers' Graves	.23	
Water Rates	40.62	
Purchase of Loam	.79	
Purchase of Filling	.00	
Repairs and Oiling of Roads and Avenues	.00	
Purchase of Fertilizer and Grass Seed ...	5.78	
Purchase of Material (Pipe)	1.68	\$49.10

Unexpended Balance to 1938:

Cemetery Wall, W.P.A.	36.08	
Cemetery Wall, Sec. 4	37.94	
Grading Section 3 and H	2,681.02	\$2,755.04

Other Income Available for Departmental Expenditures:

Receipts:

Interest from Perpetual Care Trust Fund	\$6,223.09
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Expenditures:

From Perpetual Care Trust Fund:	
Pay Rolls	\$6,158.79
Bills	64.30

Operating Receipts to General Cash Account:

Annual Care	\$813.00	
Interments	3,126.00	
Use of Lowering Device and Green Grass	865.00	
Foundations	674.71	
Rentals	130.00	
Miscellaneous	240.00	\$5,848.71

SALE OF LOTS AND GRAVES ACCOUNT

Balance from 1936	\$33,016.90
Sale, Rights of Burial, Lots 1937	2,483.00
Sale, Rights of Burial, Graves	2,315.00

Total Sale of Lots and Graves Account to 1937		\$37,814.90
Transfer Order No. 3370	3,105.50	
Transfer Order No. 3447	1,373.00	
Refunds	247.00	
Balance to 1938		\$33,089.40

PENSION ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$861.12	
Pay Roll	861.12	
Unexpended Balance		\$00.00

Approved,

Cemetery Committee,
CARL F. SHAW

Report of the City Auditor

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen:
Gentlemen:

I submit, herewith, the Annual Report of the City Auditor for the year ended December 31, 1937.

I have examined the several Trust Funds of the Treasurer-Collector as custodian, together with all securities, coupons, and Savings Bank Books. All income for the year was properly accounted for, and all expenditures properly supported by vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER B. WARDWELL,

City Auditor

FINANCES

The Assessed Valuation of the City on January 1, 1937
was:

Real Estate	\$34,986,200.00
Personal Estate	2,420,000.00
Total	<u>\$37,406,200.00</u>

Increase in Valuation from January 1, 1936 to January
1, 1937 \$749,950.00

Number of Dwellings, January 1, 1937	5,674
Number of Polls, January 1, 1937	7,106
Population	23,891
Rate of Taxation for each \$1,000.00, January 1, 1937 ..	\$33.80

Appropriations:

City Budget \$1,345,788.15

Revenue Orders:

City Accounts	\$71,181.50
Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hosp.	<u>15,608.79</u>
	86,790.29

State Tax	64,400.00
County Tax	56,912.59
Charles River Basin Tax	<u>3,944.92</u>

Metropolitan Sewer Tax	22,612.66
Metropolitan Park Tax	17,668.33
Metropolitan Water Tax	63,508.76
Miscellaneous Assessments	1,286.41
Overlay for Abatements	19,056.87

Total amount to be raised	\$1,681,968.98
Less Estimated Receipts	403,427.42

Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$1,278,541.56
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Raised as follows:

Real and Personal Property Taxes	\$1,264,329.56
Poll Taxes	14,212.00

Total	\$1,278,541.56
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SCHEDULE OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1937	Amount Issued		Outstanding Dec. 31, 1937
		During year	Amount Paid During year	
Sewer	\$81,000.00		\$13,000.00	\$68,000.00
Surface Drainage ..	48,000.00		7,000.00	41,000.00
Schools	701,500.00	-	87,500.00	614,000.00
Auditorium	12,000.00		2,000.00	10,000.00
City Hall Extension	20,000.00		3,000.00	17,000.00
City Stable	10,000.00		2,000.00	8,000.00
Fire Station	11,000.00		3,000.00	8,000.00
Municipal Garage .	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Municipal Debt Notes	22,000.00	\$16,500.00	11,000.00	27,500.00
Tax Title		21,300.00	18,033.46	3,266.54
Totals	\$906,500.00	\$37,800.00	\$147,533.46	\$796,766.54

SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL DEBT NOTES

Due 1938	\$23,500.00
Due 1939	2,000.00
Due 1940	2,000.00
Total	\$27,500.00

SCHEDULE TAX TITLE LOANS

	Amount Issued	Amount Paid	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1937
W. P. A. Projects	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	
W. P. A. Projects and Relief ..	20,000.00	16,733.46	\$3,266.54
Totals	\$21,300.00	\$18,033.46	\$3,266.54

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Receipts:

From the Commonwealth:

Income Tax	\$106,780.49
Corporation Tax — Net	9,238.83
Miscellaneous	1,375.75
Veterans' Exemption	171.00

117,566.07

Interest on Taxes and Assessments 31,955.42

Less: Charge for Support of Paupers .. 1,311.13

\$116,254.94

Motor Vehicle Excise 57,154.04

Sewer, Sidewalk, and Street Assessments . 33,070.25

Water Department 107,921.15

Other Departmental Income 86,771.49

Total \$433,127.29

Charges:

Assessors' Warrant \$403,427.42

Transferred to Excess and Deficiency 12,131.13

Excess carried to 1938 17,568.74

Total \$433,127.29

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1937**Assets**

Revenue Cash		\$131,627.32
Taxes:		
Real, Personal and Poll — 1937	\$361,372.67	
Real, Personal and Poll — Prior to 1937 ...	66,154.28	427,526.95
Motor Vehicle Excise		2,427.87
Assessments Added to Taxes:		
Sewers	3,078.39	
Sidewalks	3,584.34	
Betterments	4,243.96	
Water Liens	309.34	11,216.03
Assessments Unapportioned:		
Sewers	1,988.41	
Sidewalks	1,727.97	
Betterments	9,036.63	12,753.01
Committed Interest:		
On Assessments — 1934 to 1937	2,684.16	
On Assessments — Prior to 1934	24.05	2,708.21
Water Rates		20,049.33
Water Liens		1,364.09
Tax Titles		43,227.13
City Possessions		27,521.19
Accounts Receivable		24,532.32
Private Sewer and Water Inside Service Ac- counts Receivable		66.32
Tax Title Loan and Bonded Debt Balancing Ac- count		796,766.54
Trust Funds		214,965.32
Total		<u>\$1,716,751.63</u>

NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

* Cash in Bank	<u>\$119.63</u>
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REPORT OF CITY AUDITOR

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BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1937

Liabilities

Revenue Reserved:

Motor Vehicle Taxes	\$2,427.87	
Tax Titles and City Possessions	70,748.32	
Special Assessments	23,659.70	
Committed Interest	2,708.21	
Water	21,722.76	
Departmental Accounts Receivable	24,532.32	\$145,799.18

1937 State Tax Over Estimates	14,742.17	
Golf Course Receipts	8,161.30	
Sale of City Property	2,395.61	
Old Age Assistance	790.00	
Sale of Lots and Graves	33,009.40	
Tailings	629.26	
Bills Payable	946.89	
Overlay for Abatements	13,896.95	
Tax Title Loans	3,266.54	
Temporary Loans	350,000.00	
Overlay Surplus	93.43	
Excess and Deficiency	87,057.33	
Unexpended Balances	47,498.25	
Bonded Indebtedness	793,500.00	
Trust Funds	214,965.32	
Total	\$1,716,751.63	

NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Unexpended Balances	\$119.63
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Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balances from Previous Years	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1938
GENERAL GOVERNMENT										
Aldermen:										
Salaries and Wages	\$1,200.00				\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00		
Other Expenses	1,000.00				1,000.00	976.44	\$14.36	980.80	\$9.20	
Mayor:										
Salaries and Wages	4,325.84				4,325.84	4,325.84		4,325.84		
Other Expenses		\$400.00			400.00	365.73		365.73	34.27	
Auditor:										
Salaries and Wages	4,836.67				4,836.67	4,836.67		4,836.67		
Other Expenses	575.00		\$50.00		625.00	619.84		619.84	5.16	
Calculating Machine	400.00				400.00	395.73		395.73	4.27	
W. P. A. Administration .	7,700.00		536.00	\$1,300.00	9,536.00	9,550.50	50.00	9,600.50		64.50
Treasurer - Collector:										
Salaries and Wages	10,503.84				10,503.84	10,503.84		10,503.84		
Other Expenses	3,800.00				3,800.00	3,673.16		3,673.16	126.84	
Land Court Procedure	500.00			142.00	642.00	441.66		441.66	200.34	
Certification of Bonds and Notes	450.00				450.00	312.50		312.50	137.50	
Assessors:										
Salaries and Wages	8,584.67				8,584.67	8,584.67		8,584.67		
Other Expenses	2,430.00			7.00	2,437.00	2,437.00		2,437.00		
Revising Records, W. P. A.				42.85	42.85	42.19		42.19		.66

City Clerk:					
Salaries and Wages	6,389.00	5,757.75	290.00	6,047.75	341.25
Other Expenses	450.00\	427.03		427.03	22.97
Vital Statistics	250.00	285.35		285.35	24.65
Consolidation of Old Records, W. P. A.	400.00	141.91	250.00	391.91	8.09
Duplicating Machine		130.00			130.00
Indexing Aldermanic Records, W. P. A.		350.00			350.00
City Physician:					
Salaries and Wages	1,000.00	933.33		933.33	66.67
City Solicitor:					
Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Other Expenses	75.00	72.40		72.40	2.60
Photographs	100.00	90.25		90.25	9.75
Suits and Claims—Expenses	500.00	80.85	50.00	130.85	369.15
Special Counsel—Spot Pd.,					
Brook Suit	1,000.00	3.98		3.98	996.02
Judgement and Expense—					
Goss Claim	1,102.85	1,102.85		1,102.85	
Expenses before Board of					
Tax Appeals	230.00	230.00		230.00	
Expenses, Margaret Richardson Suit	586.75	586.75		586.75	
Election and Registration:					
Salaries and Wages	1,200.00	1,200.00		1,200.00	
Other Expenses	600.00	286.16		286.16	313.84
Board of Survey:					
Other Expenses	25.00	13.75		13.75	11.25
Planning Board:					
Other Expenses	125.00	110.10		110.10	14.90

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balances from Previous years	Receipts and Refunds	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1938
Garage and License Commission:											
Other Expenses	125.00			4.50		129.50	110.26		110.26	19.24	
Board of Appeal:											
Salaries and Wages	100.00					100.00	100.00		100.00		
Other Expenses	80.00					80.00	63.41		63.41	16.59	
Fence Viewers:											
Other Expenses	15.00					15.00				15.00	
Public Works:											
Salaries and Wages	14,000.00					14,000.00	13,999.99		13,999.99	.01	
Other Expenses	600.00					600.00	598.12		598.12	1.88	
Vacations		5,550.00				5,550.00	5,341.42	200.00	5,541.42	8.58	
City Yard — Salaries	1,560.00					1,560.00	1,531.13		1,531.13	28.87	
Truck Scales				342.22		342.22	342.22		342.22		
Gasoline Tanks and Storage Building				500.00		500.00	485.76	14.24	500.00		
Engineers:											
Salaries and Wages	8,000.00					8,000.00	6,727.59	400.00	7,127.59	872.41	
Other Expenses	1,200.00					1,200.00	1,090.17		1,090.17	109.83	
City Hall:											
Salaries and Wages	3,250.00		400.00			3,250.00	3,192.33		3,192.33	57.67	
Other Expenses	5,000.00					5,400.00	5,365.03		5,365.03	34.97	
Fire Loss — Receipts				20,587.00		20,587.00		6,000.00	6,000.00		14,587.00

Fire Loss		4,600.00	1,726.51	1,726.51	2,873.49
Public Convenience Stations	3,000.00		888.19	888.19	2,111.81
Architect — Repairs to City Hall		1,400.00			1,400.00
Auditorium:					
Salaries and Wages	3,300.00		3,142.03	3,142.03	157.97
Other Expenses	2,300.00		2,123.42	2,123.42	176.58
Redecorate Memorial Hall		1,500.00	1,499.31	1,499.31	.69
Total General Government	\$98,050.02	\$11,850.00	\$9,445.60	\$22,925.57	\$142,271.19
			\$109,415.12	\$7,268.60	\$116,683.72
					\$2,834.50
					\$22,752.97

PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY

Police Department:					
Salaries and Wages	\$70,624.00		\$70,592.70	\$43.20	\$70,635.90
Equipment and Repairs ..	1,400.00		1,470.57		1,470.57
Other Expenses	900.00		899.83		899.83
Teletype	600.00		600.00		600.00
Mechanician Salary	400.00		400.00		400.00
New Uniforms	100.00		100.00		100.00
Install Neon Police Sign ..	175.00		175.00	12.00	175.00
Chrysler Automobile		750.00	1,201.00		1,199.45
Plymouth Automobile			749.50		749.50
					1.55
					.50
Fire Department:					
Salaries and Wages	79,650.00		79,070.99	200.00	79,270.99
Equipment and Repairs ...	2,600.00		2,787.98		2,787.98
Repairs on Buildings	1,060.00		848.63	145.00	993.63
Fuel and Light	1,600.00		1,673.46		1,673.46
Other Expenses	1,700.00		1,757.67		1,757.67
New Hose	1,000.00		999.63		999.63
Hydrant Rentals	9,560.00		9,560.00		9,560.00
Inspector of Buildings:					
Salaries and Wages	1,560.00		1,560.00		1,560.00
Other Expenses	175.00		136.63		136.63
					38.37

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balances from Previous years	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1938
Wire Department:										
Salaries and Wages	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,500.00		2,500.00		
Other Expenses	95.00				95.00	66.60		66.60	28.40	
Police Signal Maintenance	3,278.00				3,278.00	3,229.83		3,229.83	48.17	
Fire Alarm Maintenance .	5,423.00				5,423.00	5,407.94		5,407.94	15.06	
Sealer of Weights and Measures:										
Salary	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Other Expenses	220.00				220.00	220.00		220.00		
Forestry:										
Care of Trees	7,000.00			21.93	7,021.93	6,714.87		6,714.87	307.06	
Planting New Trees	350.00				350.00	350.00		350.00		
Trimming Trees—W. P. A.		600.00		63.23	663.23	269.15		269.15		394.08
Other Protection:										
Dog Officer	250.00				250.00	246.10		246.10	3.90	
Total — Protection of Life Property	\$193,160.00	\$1,350.00	\$427.70	\$1,286.16	\$196,223.86	\$194,574.53	\$400.20	\$194,974.73	\$855.05	\$394.08

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health Department:										
General Administration ...	\$3,012.57	\$400.00	\$250.00		\$3,662.57	\$3,617.77		\$3,617.77	\$44.80	
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases	1,000.00		800.00		1,800.00	1,761.15		1,761.15	38.85	

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue	Credit Transfers	Balances from Previous Years	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1938
Improvement of Private Ways, W. P. A.	2,000.00			57.01	2,057.01		2,057.01	2,057.01		
Resurfacing of Burrell and Lincoln Streets				718.18	718.18	718.18		718.18		
Improve and Widen Sylvan Street			500.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,484.30		1,484.30		\$15.70
Sunset Road Construction			2,880.00		2,880.00	16.52		16.52		2,863.48
Individual Walks	500.00		300.00	2,524.03	3,324.03	3,180.19		3,180.19	143.84	
Sidewalk Repairs	4,000.00		2,057.01		6,057.01	6,054.60		6,054.60	2.41	
Continuous Walks	4,000.00			10,812.30	14,812.30	12,618.41	1,800.00	14,418.41	393.89	
Construction of Walks under Chap. 464				4,357.78	4,357.78	4,185.14		4,185.14		172.64
Snow Removal	1,500.00			83.31	1,583.31	1,574.45		1,574.45	8.86	
Street Lighting	35,000.00				35,000.00	33,963.78	900.00	34,863.78	136.22	
Stables:										
Salaries and Wages	3,600.00				3,600.00	2,781.00	725.00	3,506.00	94.00	
Other Expenses	3,500.00				3,500.00	3,271.45		3,271.45	228.55	
Automotive:										
Salaries	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,367.35		2,367.35	132.65	
Other Expenses	6,500.00			285.38	6,785.38	6,784.72		6,784.72	.66	
New Equipment	900.00				900.00	900.00		900.00		
Motor Vehicles and Compressor										
Street and Sidewalk Plow			2,300.00	2,800.00	2,800.00	2,669.99	130.01	2,800.00		474.95
					2,300.00	1,825.05		1,825.05		

Motor Driven Pump	370.29	370.29							370.29
Motor Vehicle	950.00	950.00							950.00
Total—Highways and Bridges			\$12,658.03	\$30,876.91	\$143,034.94	\$124,515.74	\$12,375.04	\$136,890.78	\$1,297.10 \$4,847.06

PUBLIC WELFARE

General Administration	\$5,256.00				\$5,256.00	\$5,233.25		\$5,233.25	\$22.75
Outside Relief	60,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$5,794.25		67,794.25	67,791.29		67,791.29	2.96
Old Age Assistance	40,000.00		16,737.20		56,737.20	54,736.54	\$2,000.00	56,736.54	.66
Aid to Dependent Children .	15,000.00		88.00		15,088.00	15,015.62		15,015.62	72.38
Aid to Dependent Children—									
Fed. Grant				4,934.59	4,934.59	4,495.91		4,495.91	\$438.68
Other Expenses	1,100.00				1,100.00	869.43	150.00	1,019.43	80.57
Christmas Party	75.00				75.00	75.00		75.00	
Toothaker Fund			107.99		107.99				107.99
A. C. Marie Currier Fund .			572.82		572.82	572.82		572.82	
Old Age Assistance—									
Fed. Grant				42,778.85	42,778.85	42,627.29		42,627.29	151.56
Old Age Assistance Admr. —									
Fed. Grant		150.00	1,836.46		1,836.46	1,522.61		1,522.61	313.85
Purchase of New Card					150.00				150.00
Milk Distribution Fund			10.00		10.00				10.00
Total—Welfare Department	\$121,431.00	\$2,150.00	\$72,860.16	\$196,441.16	\$192,939.76	\$2,150.00	\$195,089.76	\$179.32	\$1,172.08

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

General Administration	1,000.00				\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	
Other Expenses	275.00				275.00	247.11		247.11	\$27.89
Soldiers' Relief	33,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$5,280.00		39,280.00	41,932.42		41,932.42	2,652.42
Military Aid	700.00				700.00	450.00		450.00	250.00
State Aid	2,500.00				2,500.00	1,345.00	\$1,000.00	2,345.00	155.00
Soldiers' Burial	300.00				300.00				300.00
Total — Soldiers' Benefits	\$37,775.00	\$1,000.00	\$5,280.00	\$44,055.00	\$44,974.53	\$1,000.00	\$45,974.53		\$1,919.53

Department	Budget-Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balances from Previous years Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1938
EDUCATION										
School Department:										
Salaries and Wages	\$336,339.00			\$112.67	\$336,451.67	\$334,375.95	\$1,900.00	\$336,275.95	\$175.72	
Textbooks and Supplies ..	13,500.00		\$1,000.00	31.15	14,531.15	14,528.89		14,528.89	2.26	
Other General Expenses ..	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,495.86		2,495.86	4.14	
Plant Maintenance and Operation	34,900.00		900.00	71.18	35,871.18	35,862.46		35,862.46	8.72	
Heating and Ventilating System and Gymnasium, Coolidge School, W.P.A.				6,650.90	6,650.90	4,705.63	1,919.60	6,625.23		\$25.67
Fence, Winthrop School — W. P. A.				12.00	12.00	12.00		12.00		
Grading, Coolidge School — W. P. A.		\$1,000.00		38.46	1,038.46	946.21		946.21		92.25
Heat Control, Coolidge School				4,266.89	4,266.89	4,235.04		4,235.04		31.85
Regrading Yard — Gooch School		450.00			450.00	392.31		392.31		57.69
Science Equipment — High School	1,400.00				1,400.00	1,399.45		1,399.45	.55	
Toilets — Gooch School .	3,800.00				3,800.00	3,798.52		3,798.52	1.48	
Basket Trucks — Coolidge School	1,000.00				1,000.00	999.63		999.63	.37	
Fire Loss Receipts — Washington School				113.05	113.05					113.05
Total — Education	\$393,439.00	\$1,450.00	\$1,900.00	\$11,296.30	\$408,085.30	\$403,751.95	\$3,819.60	\$407,571.55	\$193.24	\$320.51

LIBRARIES

Salaries and Wages	\$13,846.00	\$200.00	\$14,046.00	\$13,996.40	\$13,996.40	\$49.60
Books and Periodicals	879.18	2,620.82	3,500.00	3,497.53	3,497.53	2.47
Fuel and Light	1,000.00		1,000.00	977.43	977.43	22.57
Buildings, Janitors' Sup- plies, etc.	1,150.00		1,150.00	1,149.48	1,149.48	.52
Binding	750.00		750.00	582.94	582.94	167.06
Other Expenses	725.00		725.00	687.41	687.41	37.59
Fines			2,451.87		700.00	\$1,751.87
Total — Libraries	\$18,350.18	\$2,820.82	\$23,622.87	\$20,891.19	\$700.00	\$279.81
						\$1,751.87

RECREATION

Pine Banks Park	\$2,500.00	\$200.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	
Park Department:						
General Administration —						
Salaries	4,724.00		4,724.00	4,724.00	4,724.00	
All Other Salaries	11,000.00		11,000.00	10,997.86	10,997.86	\$2.14
General Administration —						
Other Expenses	250.00		250.00	246.76	246.76	3.24
All Other Expenses	3,925.00		3,946.00	3,944.37	3,944.37	1.63
Golf Course Maintenance .		8,000.00	8,010.00	7,700.90	7,700.90	309.10
Furnishing Community						
Centre Bldg., Mt. Hood		1,300.00	3,793.00	3,736.65	3,736.65	56.35
Recreational Expansion and						
Improvement, Mt. Hood						
Materials and Compressor			246.77	46.03	246.03	.74
Hire, Mt. Hood—W.P.A.						
Construction of Service and			100.10	99.49	99.49	.61
Community Centre Bldgs,						
Mt. Hood—W.P.A.		5,137.68	9,054.77	9,052.66	9,052.66	2.11
Engaging Halls and Ma- terials, Recreational Serv- ice — W.P.A.						
Scout Cabins, Toilets and			200.56	158.59	41.97	200.56

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balances from Previous Years Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1938
Tower Road, Mt. Hood —				454.54	454.54					454.54
W. P. A.										
Field House — Common —				50.00	50.00					50.00
W. P. A.										
Field House — Messenger's Meadow — W. P. A.				50.00	50.00					50.00
Addition to Ell Pond Bath-house — W. P. A.		400.00		1,249.33	1,649.33	1,649.33		1,649.33		
Entrance Gate — Mt. Hood — W. P. A.				456.30	456.30		431.30	431.30		25.00
Gradings and Sewerage — Club House				1,750.49	1,750.49	1,696.94		1,696.94		53.55
Bridges, Settees, and Shelters, Mt. Hood — W. P. A.				606.38	606.38		606.38	606.38		
Well, Curbs, and Shelters, Mt. Hood — W. P. A. ...				142.70	142.70		142.70	142.70		
Construction and Land — 2nd 9 Holes of Golf Course — Mt. Hood — W. P. A.			4,109.75	6,737.34	10,847.09	10,839.13		10,839.13	7.96	
Construction, 2nd 9 Holes of Golf Course — Mt. Hood — W. P. A.										
43,581.50				10,228.96	53,810.46	33,566.50	12,209.75	45,776.25		8,034.21
Piling Hockey Rink, Ell Pond				21.04	21.04	10.89		10.89		10.15
Melrose Common Regrading				2,221.24	2,221.24	2,192.43		2,192.43		28.81

Messenger's Meadow, Re- grading	1,135.62	1,135.62	831.00	831.00	304.63
Shelter Houses, Mt. Hood		140.25	14.37	139.37	.88
Conduct Winter Sports ..	700.00	1,448.00	1,264.40	1,264.40	883.60
Surveys of Ell Pond	500.00	500.00	470.85	500.00	
Watchman — Mt. Hood ..		4,000.00	3,996.73	3,996.73	
Operation of Recreation Building	4,000.00		2,069.49	2,069.49	30.51
Stairs and Ramp to 8th Tee — Mt. Hood	2,100.00		2,069.49		
Golf Course Receipts	238.82	13,361.30	238.82	5,200.00	238.82
Total — Recreation	\$28,499.00	\$44,481.50	\$19,686.25	\$101,309.37	\$18,294.60
CELEBRATIONS					
Memorial Day — G. A. R. ..	\$350.00		\$350.00	\$329.95	\$20.05
Memorial Day — American Legion	200.00		200.00	200.00	
Memorial Day — Veterans Foreign Wars	150.00		150.00	136.25	13.75
Armistice Day — American Legion	100.00		100.00	100.00	
Armistice Day — Veterans Foreign Wars	75.00		75.00	75.00	
Children's Entertainment, July 4th.	125.00	\$89.36	214.36	214.36	
Christmas Holidays	500.00		500.00	461.55	38.45
Total — Celebrations	\$1,500.00	\$89.36	\$1,589.36	\$1,517.11	\$72.25
PENSIONS					
Police Department	\$2,050.00		\$2,050.00	\$2,050.00	
Fire Department	1,100.00		1,100.00	1,100.00	
School Department	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Cemetery Department	861.12		861.12	861.12	
Public Works Department ..	16,000.00		16,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$4.80
Total — Pensions	\$21,011.12		\$21,011.12	\$19,806.32	\$4.80

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balances from Previous years Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1938
UNCLASSIFIED										
Claims			\$143.20	\$300.00	443.20	\$443.20		\$443.20		
Legion Rental	\$600.00				600.00	600.00		600.00		
Veterans Foreign Wars Rental	72.00				72.00	66.00		66.00	\$6.00	
Insurance—Fire and Boiler	9,300.00		1,850.00	42.32	11,192.32	11,144.60		11,144.60	47.72	
Portraits			50.00	147.00	197.00	50.00	\$75.00	125.00		\$72.00
Rifle Practice — 182nd Infantry	400.00				400.00	348.72		348.72	51.28	
Printing City Report	350.00			233.00	350.00	342.00		342.00	8.00	
Inaugural Exercises — 1937					233.00	180.00	50.00	230.00	3.00	
Total — Unclassified	\$10,722.00		\$2,043.20	\$722.32	\$13,487.52	\$13,174.52	\$125.00	\$13,299.52	\$116.00	\$72.00
WATER DIVISION										
Maintenance	\$20,000.00			\$10,696.08	\$30,696.08	\$30,663.68		\$30,663.68	\$32.40	
Filing Liens	300.00			333.33	633.33					\$633.33
Water Rates—City of Malden	285.71				285.71	285.71		285.71		
Plotting Water Gates — W. P. A.		\$150.00		.58	150.58	94.75		94.75		55.83
New Water Meters	2,000.00			671.32	2,671.32	2,650.44		2,650.44	20.88	
Construction	18,500.00		\$500.00	501.42	19,501.42	19,500.07		19,500.07	1.35	
C. W. A. Water Construction				52.82	52.82		\$52.82	52.82		
Bellevue Golf Club				.85	.85	.85		.85		
Water Service to Recreation Building at Mt. Hood ..				737.45	737.45	665.89		665.89	71.56	
Water Inside Service	1,000.00			32.69	1,032.69	949.38		949.38	83.31	
Total — Water Division	\$42,085.71	\$150.00	\$500.00	\$13,026.54	\$55,762.25	\$54,810.77	\$52.82	\$54,863.59	\$209.50	\$689.16

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Maintenance and Operation .	\$16,500.00	\$1,564.00	\$18,064.00	\$17,113.77	\$950.00	\$18,063.77	\$.23
Water Rates	100.00		100.00	59.38		59.38	40.62
Material and Pipe	513.80		513.80	512.12		512.12	1.68
Fertilizer and Grass Seed ..	150.00		150.00	144.22		144.22	5.78
Repair and Oil Roads	600.00		600.00	600.00		600.00	
Purchase of Filling	600.00		600.00	600.00		600.00	
Purchase of Loam	700.00		700.00	699.21		699.21	.79
Purchase of Truck		\$950.00	950.00	759.00	191.00	950.00	
Perpetual Care Income Account			\$6,223.09	6,223.09		6,223.09	\$33,009.40
Sale of Lots and Graves ...			37,487.90	37,487.90	4,478.50	4,478.50	36.08
Wall — W. P. A.			36.08	36.08			37.94
Wall — Section 4 — W. P. A.			37.94	37.94			
Grading Sections 3 and H —							
W. P. A.		3,105.50	3,105.50	424.48		424.48	2,681.02
Total — Cemetery	\$19,163.80	\$950.00	\$4,669.50	\$43,785.01	\$68,568.31	\$27,135.27	\$5,619.50
						\$32,754.77	\$49.10
							\$35,764.44
Bills Payable							\$946.89
Interest	\$44,988.75		\$1,361.54	\$1,361.54		\$414.65	
Municipal Indebtedness	\$129,500.00		\$44,988.75	\$43,948.71	\$606.70	\$44,555.41	\$433.34
			\$129,500.00	\$129,500.00		\$129,500.00	
County Dog Tax			\$3,017.40	\$3,017.40	\$3,002.40	\$3,002.40	\$15.00

Agency Trusts	Assessors' Warrants and revised orders	Credit Revenue	Total Credits	Expenditure	Revenue Debits	Total Debits	Balance to 1938
State Tax — 1937	\$64,400.00		\$64,400.00	\$68,600.00		\$68,600.00	\$4,200.00
Underestimate — 1936		\$39,200.00	39,200.00	39,200.00		39,200.00	
State and County 1936 Overestimates	3,100.72		3,100.72		\$3,100.72	3,100.72	
State and County 1936 Underestimates		2,875.87	2,875.87	2,875.87		2,875.87	
County Tax — 1937							
County Tuberculosis Hospital	56,912.59		56,912.59	57,564.95		57,564.95	652.36
Charles River Basin	15,608.79		15,608.79	15,608.79		15,608.79	
Metropolitan Park	3,944.92		3,944.92	3,931.32		3,931.32	13.60
Metropolitan Planning	17,668.33		17,668.33	17,911.08		17,911.08	242.75
Wellington Bridge Maintenance	224.27		224.27	220.66		220.66	3.61
Metropolitan Sewer	35.06		35.06	35.05		35.05	.01
Metropolitan Water	22,612.66		22,612.66	22,261.38		22,261.38	351.28
Abatement Smoke Nuisance	63,508.76		63,508.76	61,271.49		61,271.49	2,237.27
Hospital and Home Care for Civil War Veterans ..	383.87		383.87	382.30		382.30	1.57
West Roxbury and Brookline Parkway	390.00		390.00	405.00		405.00	15.00
Water to Saugus	13.21		13.21	202.97		202.97	189.76
Penalty for Late Filing	240.00		240.00	240.00		240.00	
Land Takings, Revere Highway	131.98		131.98	2.00		2.00	2.00
Ways in Malden, Braintree, Weymouth and Hingham							131.98
ham	.06		.06				.06
Total — Agency Trusts	\$249,175.22	\$42,075.87	\$291,251.09	\$290,712.86	\$3,100.72	\$293,813.58	\$2,562.49

ASSESSMENTS

	Balance from 1936	Committed and Appor- tioned	Refunds and Adjust- ments	Total Charges	Collected Appor- tioned and abated	Transferred to Tax Titles	Total Credits	Balance to 1938
SEWERS:								
Unapportioned	\$8,496.20	\$2,106.87		\$10,603.07	\$8,614.66		\$8,614.66	\$1,988.41
Added to Taxes	3,817.69	8,070.45		11,888.14	8,267.87	\$541.88	8,809.75	3,078.39
Apportioned—Not Due	29,640.11	7,469.64		37,109.75	10,453.50		10,453.50	26,656.25
Unapportioned Sus- pended — Not Due .	361.73			361.73	138.38		138.38	223.35
SIDEWALKS:								
Unapportioned	\$1,783.22	\$1,727.97		\$3,511.19	\$1,783.22		\$1,783.22	\$1,727.97
Added to Taxes	4,386.34	9,266.25		13,652.59	9,615.92	\$452.33	10,068.25	3,584.34
Apportioned — Not Due	34,261.94	1,122.12		35,384.06	10,212.41		10,212.41	25,171.65
STREETS:								
Unapportioned		\$9,353.82		\$9,353.82	\$317.19		\$317.19	\$9,036.63
Added to Taxes	\$5,133.08	9,602.12		14,735.20	9,942.37	\$540.87	10,483.24	4,251.96
Apportioned — Not Due	43,104.82			43,104.82	11,886.04		11,886.04	31,218.78
COMMITTED Interest .								
	\$3,770.18	\$6,901.23		\$10,671.41	\$7,365.13	\$598.07	\$7,963.20	\$2,708.21
WATER RATES								
	\$22,925.64	\$95,086.98	\$525.23	\$118,537.85	\$98,488.52		\$98,488.52	\$20,049.33

Report of City Clerk

Melrose, Massachusetts,
January 22, 1938

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of the City Clerk for the year 1937.

The amount of fees received by the City Clerk for official services from January 1, 1937 to December 31, 1937, inclusive, was as follows:

For recording marriage certificates	\$482.00
For recording and indexing dog licenses	297.40
For recording and indexing hunting, fishing and trapping licenses	75.75
For licenses for keeping, storage and sale of Petroleum, etc	929.00
For copies of records, etc	240.42
For recording and indexing mortgages and other business certificates	603.03
For miscellaneous licenses	557.00
Total Receipts	\$3,184.60
(paid to City Treasurer)	

The sum of \$3,286.00 has been received by this office for dog licenses from January 1, 1937, to December 31, 1937, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:

For 877 male dogs at \$2.00 each	\$1,754.00
For 104 female dogs at \$5.00 each	520.00
For 506 female spayed dogs at \$2.00 each ..	1,012.00
Total received for dogs	\$3,286.00

Of this amount \$2,988.60 has been paid to the County of Middlesex and \$397.40 has been paid into the city treasury.

The sum of \$649.75 has been received for hunting, fishing and trapping licenses from January 1, 1937, to December 31, 1937, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:

Resident Citizens' Fishing licenses, 138 at \$2.00 each ...	\$276.00
Resident Citizens' Hunting licenses, 96 at \$2.00 each	192.00
Resident Citizens' Sporting licenses, 39 at 3.25 each	126.75
Resident Citizens' Minor and Females' Fishing licenses, 26 at \$1.25 each	32.50
Resident Citizens' Trapping licenses, 3 at \$5.25 each	15.75

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Resident Citizens' (over 70) Sporting licenses, 21 free ..	00.00
Non-resident Fishing licenses, 1 at \$5.25 each	5.25
Duplicate licenses, 3 at \$.50 each	1.50
Total	\$649.75

Of this amount \$574.00 has been paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Fisheries and Game, and \$75.75, representing fees, has been paid into the city treasury.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded

Children of Melrose parents and born in Melrose	172
Children of Melrose parents and born elsewhere	80
Children of non-resident parents and born in Melrose ..	249
Total recorded	501

Marriages Recorded

Both parties residents and solemnized in Melrose	47
Both parties residents and solemnized elsewhere in state ..	15
Both parties residents and solemnized out of state	10
One party resident and solemnized in Melrose	95
One party resident and solemnized elsewhere in state ..	76
One party resident and solemnized out of state	21
Both parties non-resident and solemnized in Melrose ...	27
Total recorded	291

Deaths Recorded

Of Melrose residents occurring in Melrose	232
Of Melrose residents occurring elsewhere	64
Of non-residents occurring in Melrose	76
Total recorded	372

On September 1, 1937, Victor C. Kirmes retired as City Clerk under the provisions of the Contributory Retirement Act for Municipal Employees, having acted in that capacity since December 15, 1924. Mr. Kirmes' retirement marked the close of a long period of faithful and meritorius service as a member of the Board of Registrars of Voters, Assistant City Clerk, Clerk of Committees, Clerk of the Park Commission, Clerk of the Cemetery Committee and City Clerk, covering a span of fifty years.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW,
City Clerk

Report of City Treasurer

Melrose, Massachusetts,
February 7, 1938

The Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen,
City Hall,
Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my reports as City Treasurer and Collector
for the year 1937.

Respectfully submitted,
S. HOMER BUTTRICK,
City Treasurer-Collector

CASH STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1937

Cash in Bank and Office, January 1, 1937	\$129,556.65
Receipts, January 1, 1937 to December 31, 1937	2,989,334.97
	\$3,118,891.62
Payments, January 1, 1937 to December 31, 1937	\$2,987,144.67
Balance, Cash in Bank and Office December 31, 1937 ..	131,746.95
	\$3,118,891.62

LOANS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Authorized by Order 3104	\$850,000.00
Renewals (1936)	150,000.00
Renewals (1937)	100,000.00
Total	\$1,100,000.00
Notes paid	750,000.00
Balance due in 1938	\$350,000.00
Average rate of discount	.445%

TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1937	\$53,453.23	
Added during 1937	53,560.18	\$107,013.41
Redemptions	\$63,786.28	
Balance December 31, 1937	43,227.13	107,013.41

S. HOMER BUTTRICK,
City Treasurer

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

	Cash	Securities	Total
On hand January 1, 1937	\$49,473.79	\$114,000.00	\$163,473.79
On hand December 31, 1937	49,513.79	119,000.00	168,513.79

Receipts

Securities matured or sold:

Boston Met. District	\$3,000.00	
Louisville-Nashville R. R.	4,000.00	
City of Melrose - School	1,000.00	
City of Melrose - Garage	1,000.00	\$9,000.00

Collections; City of Melrose	4,407.50
Interest on Investments	6,018.48
Premiums on Bonds sold	632.50

Cash on hand January 1, 1937

Savings Banks	48,000.00	
Trust Co.	1,473.79	49,473.79
		\$ 69,532.27

Payments

To purchase of:

Louisville-Nashville R. R.	7,000.00	
Boston & Albany R. R.	3,000.00	
Peoples Gas & Coke Co.	2,000.00	
Cumberland County Pwr. & Lt.	2,000.00	14,000.00

Interest paid on bonds purchased 116.33

Premiums paid on bonds purchased 0.00

Box rent 11.00

Registered mail 1.56

City of Melrose, Net Income 5,889.59

Cash on hand December 31, 1937

Savings Banks	48,000.00	
Trust Co.	1,513.79	49,513.79
		\$ 69,532.27

List of Securities in Fund

Atchison, Topeka & Sa. Fe.	\$3,000.00
Union Pacific R. R.	3,000.00
Brooklyn Edison	2,000.00
Pennsylvania R. R.	11,000.00
Narragansett Electric	3,000.00
So. Pacific Oregon Lines	5,000.00
Public Service of N. H.	5,000.00
Southern Bell Telephone	2,000.00
Central Maine Power	5,000.00
New York Edison	4,000.00
Pacific Gas & Electric	2,000.00
State of Illinois	10,000.00

Peoples Gas Lt. Coke	4,000.00	
American Tel. & Tel.	1,000.00	
Cumberland County Pwr. & Lt.	2,000.00	
New York Central	6 000.00	
Detroit Edison	5,000.00	
Toledo Edison	5,000.00	
Jersey Central Power & Lt.	3,000.00	
So. Pacific	3,000.00	
Pacific Gas & Electric	5,000.00	
Boston Albany R. R.	8,000.00	
Atlantic Coast Line	3,000.00	
So. California Edison	5,000.00	
Boston Terminal	2,000.00	
Boston Edison Electric Ill. Co.	5,000.00	
Louisville & Nashville R. R.	7,000.00	\$119,000.00
Cash, Savings Banks & Trust Co.		49,513.79
Total in Fund		\$168,513.79

FUNDS HELD BY THE CITY TREASURER

100th Anniversary Town of Melrose

Balance January 1, 1937	\$81.47	
Interest	2.45	
Balance December 31, 1937		\$83.92
Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Building		
Balance January 1, 1937	2,587.02	
Interest	474.28	
Auditor's Warrants		250.00
Balance December 31, 1937		2,811.30
	3,061.30	3,061.30

William Bailey Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	2,565.04	
Interest	77.53	
Auditor's Warrants		43.63
Balance December 31, 1937		2,598.94
	2,642.57	2,642.57

William E. Barrett Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	313.87	
Interest	9.47	
Balance December 31, 1937		323.34
	323.34	323.34

Perkins Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	584.79	
Interest	17.66	
Balance December 31, 1937		602.45
	602.45	602.45

Duplicate Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	60.24	
Deposits	90.68	
Interest	1.40	
Auditor's Warrants		105.98
Balance December 31, 1937		46.34
	152.32	152.32

Samuel W. McDaniel, Exor., Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	100.00	
Balance December 31, 1937		100.00
	100.00	100.00

(Interest to Cemetery Trust Fund)

Sarah E. Cheever Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	1,579.23	
Interest	47.72	
Balance December 31, 1937		1,626.95
	1,626.95	1,626.95

Levi S. Gould Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	413.02	
Interest	42.71	
Auditor's Warrants		28.00
Balance December 31, 1937	427.73	
	455.73	455.73

Sarah E. Fitch Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	274.73	
Refunds	70.00	
Interest	5.45	
Auditor's Warrants		200.00
Balance December 31, 1937		150.18
	350.18	350.18

Norman Hesseltine Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	101.59	
Interest	3.07	
Balance December 31, 1937		104.66
	104.66	104.66

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Community Civics Fund

Balance January 1, 1937	94.98	
Interest	2.85	
Balance December 31, 1937		97.83
	97.83	97.83

Wyoming Cemetery Flower Fund

Principal Account January 1, 1937	1,206.42	
Receipts	150.00	
Balance December 31, 1937		1,356.42
	1,356.42	1,356.42

Income Account

Interest Received	35.78	
Auditor's Warrants		35.48
Balance December 31, 1937		.30
	35.78	35.78

Report of Adele C. M. D. Carrier Fund**Capital Account**

Amount in Fund December 31, 1937		\$24,546.48
Securities:		
U. S. Government Treasury Notes 4½%	15,000.00	
New York Central R. R. 4½%	2,000.00	
Louisville-Nashville R. R. 3¾%	1,000.00	
I Share Northern Railroad	100.00	
Malden Savings Bank	829.98	
Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank	619.77	
Eliot Savings Bank	647.01	
Melrose Savings Bank	4,349.72	
		\$24,546.48

Income Account

Balance January 1, 1937	580.19	
Income from Investments	915.01	
Paid City of Melrose		1,000.00
Balance December 31, 1937		495.20
	\$1,495.20	\$ 1,495.20

BONDS AND NOTES OF THE CITY OF MELROSE OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 1937
and amounts maturing each year until paid.

YEAR	Permanent	Surface Drainage	School	Sewer	Memorial Building	City Hall Addition	City Stables	Fire Station	Relief Loan	Total
1938.....	7,000	7,000	86,500	13,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000	16,500	140,000
1939.....	2,000	7,000	86,500	13,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000		118,500
1940.....	2,000	7,000	86,500	11,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	2,000		115,500
1941.....		7,000	86,500	9,000	2,000	3,000	2,000			109,500
1942.....		5,000	74,500	6,000	2,000	3,000				90,500
1943.....		3,000	64,500	4,000		2,000				73,500
1944.....		2,000	51,000	4,000						57,000
1945.....		2,000	44,000	2,000						48,000
1946.....		1,000	34,000	2,000						37,000
1947.....				2,000						2,000
1948.....				2,000						2,000
TOTALS	\$11,000	\$41,000	\$614,000	\$68,000	\$10,000	\$17,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$16,500	\$793,500

Collector's Annual Report, 1937

Tax.	1934	Personal	\$4.90		
		Real Estate	121.50	\$126.40	
	1935	Polls	2.00		
		Personal	122.37		
		Real Estate	59,666.58	59,790.95	
	1936	Polls	207.15		
		Personal	1,872.70		
		Real Estate	259,076.71	261,156.56	
	1937	Polls	13,015.00		
		Personal	77,821.99		
		Real Estate	819,252.21	910,089.20	\$1,231,163.11
Motor Vehicle Excise	1936		2,038.28		
	1937		57,680.86		
	1936	Interest	19.97		
	1937	Interest	132.21	59,871.32	
Sewer Assessments (Apportioned)			10,248.97		
Sewer Assessments (Unapportioned)			350.25	10,599.22	
Sidewalk Assessments (Apportioned)			10,399.14		
Sidewalk Assessments (Unapportioned)			367.45	10,766.59	
Street Assessments (Apportioned)			11,544.75		
Street Assessments (Unapportioned)			159.69	11,704.44	
Collector's Receipts				2,018.68	
Committed Interest	1935		311.11		
	1936		2,329.06		
	1937		4,629.47	7,269.64	
General Interest	1934		18.04		
	1935		6,366.14		
	1936		8,273.43		
	1937		456.30	15,113.91	
Water	1929		15.00		
	1930		45.91		
	1931		190.57		
	1932		469.75		
	1933		384.27		
	1934		277.59		
	1935		3,507.08		
	1936		28,141.87		
	1937		64,774.69	97,806.73	
Water Liens	1933		198.89		
(Added to 1936 Tax)	1934		549.06	747.95	

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Welfare Dept.

Old Age Assistance	18,823.80	
Outside Relief	4,379.03	
Temporary Aid	5,819.41	
Mothers' Aid	9,360.76	
Hospital	40.84	38,423.84

1,485,485.43

Public Works Dept.

Sewer Drain Construction	69.12	
Private Sewers	476.82	
Private Sewer Deposit	136.01	
Water Inside Service	245.93	
Water Inside Service	9.68	N. C.
Water Inside Service Deposit	13.79	
Individual Walks	11.08	
Rental Athletic Field	1.00	N. C.
Highway Repairing	102.71	
Sale of Garbage	2,649.71	
Water Maintenance	30.00	
Care of Trees	39.79	3,785.64

Health Department

Quarantine & Cont. Diseases	62.00	
Tuberculosis	3,060.24	3,122.24

Memorial Building	2,379.00
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School Department - Tuition	3,250.76
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Police Department - Ambulance Fund	288.40
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\$1,498,311.47

Respectfully submitted,

S. HOMER BUTTRICK,

City Collector

January 12, 1938

Report of the Fire Department

To His Honor the Mayor, and the Honorable Board of Aldermen:
Dear Sirs:

I respectfully submit the following Annual Report of the Melrose Fire Department for the year 1937.

Organization

The department consists of four companies, and are as follows; Engine Co. No. 1, Engine Co. No. 2, Engine Co. No. 3, and Aerial Ladder Co. No. 1.

Personnel

The permanent force consists of one Chief Engineer, three Captains, three Lieutenants, one Master Mechanic and twenty-six Privates.

Equipment

One Chief's auto, three pumping engines with equipment, one hook and ladder truck with equipment, one aerial ladder truck with equipment, one service car with lighting plant and equipment, two combination hose and chemical autos with equipment, twenty-two chemical extinguishers and other appliances for fire and life saving work.

Hose

Number of feet of good 3 inch hose in department ... 250 feet
Number of feet of good 2½ inch hose in department ... 9500 feet
Number of feet of good 1½ inch hose in department ... 900 feet
Number of feet of good 1 inch chemical hose in department 1550 feet
All 2½ and 3 inch hose has been tested to 200 pound pressure.

Hose and Ladders Used

Number of feet of 1½ inch hose laid	3,900 feet
Number of feet of 2½ inch hose laid	20,350 feet
Number of feet of ladders raised	2,137 feet
Number of covers used	39 covers
Number of gallons of chemical used	36 gallons
Number of gallons of foamon used	18 gallons
Number of quarts of pyrene used	7 quarts
Number of pounds of fyre freeze used	45 pounds
Number of pounds of klinker kill used	16 pounds
Number of chimney fusees used	9 fusees
Number of quarts of oil of salts used	1 quart
Lighting plant used	16 hours

All service masks used	8 hours
Total hours of pump operation	22 hours
Total Mileage	1,683 miles

Department Work

To open locked doors	3
To remove cats from trees	5
To remove boy from roof	1
To shut off water	4
To shut off gas	3
To shut off electricity	2
To investigate heater trouble	3
To investigate smoke	1
To put patient in bed	1
To take patient to hospital	1
To take care of man who had a fit	1
Ammonia leakage	6
The personal property is valued at	\$100,134.00

Fires

Total number of bell alarms	141
Total number of still alarms	221
Total number of alarms — 31 Emergency	393
Apparatus out of city	16
False Alarms	12

Inspections

Number of building inspections	5,124
Number of oil burner inspections	470

Insurance of Buildings

Number of buildings damaged	26
Valuation of buildings	\$230,400.00
Loss on buildings	35,596.51
Insurance on buildings	273,700.00
Insurance paid on buildings	35,697.38
Value of contents	146,080.48
Loss on contents	7,582.34
Insurance on contents	81,000.00
Insurance paid on contents	6,813.34
Total loss on buildings and contents	43,178.85
Total insurance paid on buildings and contents	42,510.72

Recommendations

I am in hopes that the City, this year, can see its way clear to install more hydrants in localities where we have school houses and

churches. In some of our localities, we have to run long lines of hose, which creates more friction loss and less water and hydrants are cheaper than hose.

I am recommending this year a new cement floor for the Central Fire Station, as this matter should be attended to at once.

I have recommended in past years, that the Calvin Coolidge School should be taken care of, in the way of fire protection. My recommendations have never carried much weight, although I feel that the protection there is inadequate for a school building as large as that and for the number of pupils and teachers in that school.

This last year, we have purchased a new truck to take the place of the 1919 Reo.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK C. NEWMAN

Chief of Fire Department

January 31, 1938

Report of the Law Department

The Law Department in our City is substantially a one man proposition. All legal matters must be considered and disposed of by the individual attention of the City Solicitor.

There is no local office in our City Hall. Certain matters involve a degree of privacy and many citizens who could not conveniently go to my Boston office have preferred to come to my home. I have been glad to render this service, but the growth of our City as well as other reasons have so increased the volume of work that it would seem advisable to have quarters at City Hall where certain days and hours would provide much better service.

If the work continues at the present level the employment of an assistant should be considered.

The development at Mount Hood for the second nine holes involved the taking of many different parcels of land. Most of these were small homes. The market value of the separate parcels was not large but the aggregate made a substantial amount. Where a home is taken by a municipality "market value" is supposed to be the basis of the jury verdict, but experience indicates that it is seldom confined to that figure. I am glad to report that all cases involving homes have been disposed of. There are three cases now in court which will be tried in the near future. These three cases are all vacant land.

In this period of financial trouble, an increasing number of owners of real estate are unable to pay taxes. This failure eventually results in foreclosure of the tax title in the Land Court, and the City acquires a title in fee. However it should be understood that the tax is a relatively small percentage of value and there is usually some interested party to redeem if the property is of any consequence. Therefore it is usually true that property the City acquires in this way is likely to be a parcel of vacant land difficult to dispose of at any price.

The Board of Aldermen are considering the creation of a special committee to take charge and promote the sale of this type of property.

It may be desirable to have a low tax rate, but it is the amount of the tax bill rather than the rate which is important. The bill is based upon the assessment which may be high or low. We have a number of cases before the Appellate Tax Board and their decision is confined to ascertaining "market value" as compared with the value fixed by assessment. "Market value" fluctuates and goes up or down due to many different reasons but unfortunately when it goes down far enough it may go below the assessment and then the City is penalized. This penalty in a particular case penalizes all the

other tax payers and to a certain extent defeats the scheme of proportional taxation.

There is a City in Massachusetts where the tax rate is almost \$50.00 per thousand but their average assessment is low, probably well below market value. They have very few cases before the Appellate Tax Board.

The Melrose Board of Assessors have used good judgement in dealing with requests for abatement, but some cases have reached the Appellate Tax Board. These cases required the services of a real estate expert and are therefore a source of considerable expense to the City.

The case of Richardson vs. City of Melrose, was tried before a jury in the Superior Court. The injury, a broken hip, sustained by the plaintiff due to a fall on the sidewalk at the corner of Albion and Day Streets, resulted in her death. The jury returned a verdict for the defendant, and the case is now before the Supreme Court on the plaintiff's exceptions.

The case of Goss vs. City of Melrose, was tried in the Superior Court and the jury returned a verdict of \$500.00. This was a sidewalk case. The plaintiff, a child of twelve years, sustained a broken arm which did not knit properly and resulted in a permanent injury. In view of the fact that the plaintiff's attorney would not offer to settle for less than \$1500.00 the result was a partial victory and the verdict was evidently a compromise on the part of the jury.

The case of Hutchinson vs. City of Melrose, in the Malden District Court resulted in a verdict for the defendant.

There were many other cases disposed of in the Land Court, Superior Court, Probate Court, District Court and Appellate Board of Tax Appeals which would take too much space to specifically enumerate.

Services were rendered to the various City Departments in the form of written opinions and also to the Board of Aldermen together with attendance whenever requested.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS McKIE,
City Solicitor.

Report of the License Commission

January 8, 1938

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.
Gentlemen:

The License Commission respectfully submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1937.

Permits to erect and maintain garages for the storage of one or two automobiles have been granted, under authority of Sections 8 and 9 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Melrose, to the number of 129, an increase of seven over the preceding year.

Forty-nine sessions have been held for the purpose of conducting hearings to consider applications for the above permits. Locations were viewed and passed upon and approval given by the Chief of the Fire Department, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 148, Section 13, of the General Laws.

A statement of the receipts from fees for the above permits follows:

Deposited with applications and paid into City Treasury \$258.00

Respectfully submitted,

License Commission, by

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW,
Clerk

Report of Memorial Building Trustees

To the Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Memorial Building herewith submit their annual report for the year 1937.

The Trustees are Messrs. Leon H. Palmer, Chairman, Leslie B. Ellis, Louis K. McNally, Charles L. Robinson and Leon B. Smith.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Salaries and Wages:

Appropriation	\$3,300.00	
Expended	3142.03	
Balance		\$157.97

Other Expenses:

Appropriation	2300.00	
Expended	2123.42	
Balance		\$176.58

B. Of A. Order No. 3202

Appropriation	1500.00	
Expended	1499.31	
Balance		.69

The appearance of the Auditorium for the past few years has been very poor and not in keeping with the rest of the building. This hall had not been painted for about twelve years and many disparaging remarks were heard about it.

A special appropriation was made by the Board of Aldermen and during the summer the entrance hall and auditorium were entirely redecorated, the finished effect being satisfactory to all who have seen it.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES MEMORIAL BUILDING,
Leon H. Palmer, Chairman

Report of Park Department

February 7, 1938

Honorable Robert A. Perkins, Mayor and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Melrose, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

We herewith submit the twenty-eighth annual report of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Melrose for the year 1937.

There has been practically no changes in the acreage in our Park system in Melrose for the past year. There has been no new Parks added and no new playgrounds added. We have completed and dedicated the past year the new Mt. Hood Golf and Recreational building, which was with the assistance of the Federal Government and a Works Progress Administration Project.

Last year our receipts exceeded our expenditures on the First-nine Holes of Golf. The Second-nine Holes is still under construction and it is hoped that the work will be completed by the first of July.

In regard to the Ell Pond area for which we called upon the Board of Aldermen for a sum of money to make plans to do the necessary work there. This, has been completed and the Park Commission turned this information over to the Board of Aldermen for their consideration, and we feel that this work should be started this year.

The members of the Board of Park Commissioners are giving considerable thought to the addition of two new Playgrounds in the City of Melrose feeling that there are two localities in the city, where the distance between Playgrounds is so great that small children do not have an opportunity of getting to them without considerable danger to the children.

The Members of the Board of Park Commissioners take pleasure in expressing to the Mayor, the Board of Aldermen and members of the City Government, their appreciation for their cooperation that they have received during the past year.

Attached you will find the detailed report of the work done by the Park Department during the past year under the supervision of our capable Superintendent, Mr. George W. Rogers.

Respectfully submitted by,

Board of Park Commissioners

ARTHUR M. GOGGIN, Chairman
JOSEPH R. HEBBLETHWAITE
ELMER O. GOODRIDGE
GRACE T. HUME
WALTER C. VERGE

Mr. A. M. Goggin, Chairman
and the Members of the Melrose
Board of Park Commissioners

I herewith submit to the Park Commissioners my annual report for the year 1937, showing the operation of all activities conducted under this department for the year, together with a report of all W. P. A. Projects of the Federal Government.

BATHHOUSE AND BEACH

A very successful season was had at Ell Pond during the year 1937. There were no fatalities or major accidents. There were 10 water rescues; 81 assisted from the water and 369 first-aid cases. The attendance for the season was 36,500, with total receipts being \$64.40.

In the swimming class there were 625; Life Saving Class 212, with 50 persons passing their test; and 45 beginners passing their test.

At the end of the season an Exhibition Day was held which proved very successful. There being funny or clown acts, diving, swimming races, a boat fight, junior and senior races in the life saving classes, with the day ending up with a demonstrated rescue by the Life Guards in charge.

At the first of the season and for a five weeks period, the personnel was as follows:-

Lewis Primer, Life Guard; Donald K. DeLuca, Assistant Life Guard; Joseph Curran, Assistant Life Guard; Richard Foster, Assistant Life Guard; Thomas Hoden, Male Attendant; Mrs. Minnie Nickerson, Female Attendant; Ruth Osborne, Assistant Female Attendant; Mr. James Hanley, Police Officer.

At the end of the fifth week Mr. Primer was released and Donald DeLuca given the position for the balance of the season.

My personal thanks are extended to all those persons mentioned above who so competently managed and successfully assisted the department in this part of our summer recreation program.

PLAYGROUNDS AND RECREATION

The Playground personnel was made up as follows:-

Sara Hume, Supervisor; Ruth Turner, Handicraft; Mary Dean, Instructor - Common; Marion Hume, Instructor - Lincoln; Gertrude Harney, Instructor - Ripley; Alva Wheeler, Instructor - Messenger's; Janice Wheeler, Instructor - Hesseltine; Newton Jones, Instructor - Handicraft.

The playgrounds of Melrose opened this season on June 28, and closed on September 4th.

Girls Handicraft

Total enrollment from June 28 through August 31, 1937 — 125.

Total Attendance — 1484. Daily average attendance for the entire season — 29.

The total number of Articles made were 145 not including those

things made on the playgrounds. The numbers were distributed as follows among the following articles:-

Dog book ends - 4; Garden Bunny - 1; Dutch Girls - 7; Dutch Boys - 3; Patchwork pillows - 10; Kitty Door Stops - 2; Baby embroidered bib - 1; Garden Ducks - 9; Small Bunnies (Curtain Pulls) 6; Patch-work dogs - 4; Book covers - 6; Bird house - 1; Bias Tape pocket books - 3; Elephant book ends - 1; Kitty curtain pulls - 3; Ship book ends - 1; Embroidery pillows - 13; Embroidered pin cushions - 31; Parrot - 1; Stuffed squirrel - 2; Pocket books (oil cloth) - 10; Stuffed dogs - 2; Stuffed Rabbits - 2; Bunny lamps - 4; Lawn dolls - 4; Small ducks - 10; Large rabbit (garden) - 1; Total — 142.

Repainted parrots - 12; Oil cloth pocket books made at Hesseltine - 15; Oil cloth book covers made at Lincoln - 35; Plaster cast letter weights made at all the playgrounds - 89; Bean bags made at Messenger's and Lincoln - 50; Kites made at Lincoln - 25; Needle cases made at Hesseltine and Messenger's - 20; Crepe paper dolls at Common - 25; Inner tube animals made at Messenger's - 15; Painted bottles made at the Common - 20.

Boys' Workshop

The following articles were made in the Boys division during 1937:- 48 - R. O. G's; 3 R. O. W's; 5 Tractors; 7 Twin Pushers; 15 Stinsons; 3 Folkers; 5 Curtis Hawks; 20 Bi-Planes; 10 Original Planes; 10 Lawn Ornaments; 30 Solid Scale Models (Airplanes); 20 Model Boats; 1 Hand Carved Pistol (Wood); 7 Kites; 2 Leather Lariots; 1 Pair Mocassins.

Total attendance of 466 with an average daily attendance of 29.

Baseball

Junior boys were provided with baseball games and inter-playground leagues, but owing to the shut-down of the W. P. A. Recreational Project, around which I had planned and built quite an elaborate program, I was unable to carry out my plans, and not having extra funds in our account, this part of our program had to be curtailed.

Picnics

As in previous years each Playground had at least one picnic away from their own Playground, either to the Sheep-fold, Ell Pond, Mt. Hood or Pine Banks, where the day was spent and each was attended by large numbers of children from the various grounds.

The annual outing which I personally sponsor on each year for the Melrose children was held at Salem Willows on August 25, and 83 children made the trip.

Tuesday, September 7, more than 60 boys were taken by me into Fenway Park as guests of the management of the Boston Red Sox.

The annual Melrose Playground Field Day was held on Saturday, August 28, with an attendance of 496. I would like to see more

parents take part in this day, especially to see what is being done for their children and what we are striving to accomplish.

On Monday, August 30, a Playground Demonstration was held, primarily for the adults to see a picture of playground activities.

This was started by a Parade leaving City Hall at 6:30 P. M., and was led by the Melrose Post No. 90 Drum and Bugle Corp and followed in order by the Playground Rhythm Band, Doll Carriage Parade and groups representing each playground. On the Athletic Field, the Legion Drum Corp put on an exhibition, then a doll carriage parade was held, these together with novelties from the parade were judged and presented prizes by a Committee consisting of Mayor Perkins, A. M. Goggin, Chairman of the Park Commission, and Mrs. A. M. Hume of the Park Commission, after which each Playground put on a dramatic sketch.

Free Ice Cream was provided by the Melrose Lions Club to all the children that participated in the parade.

ATTENDANCE FOR 1937 SUMMER SEASON

Playground	Daily Average	Total For Season
Common	150	7,882
Hesseltine	51	2,688
Lincoln	53	8 032
Messenger's	61	3,203
Ripley	58.5	3,071
Bathhouse	494	36,500
Special Days		750
Tennis Courts — Boulevard	200	* 40,000
Tennis Courts — Lincoln	40	* 6,000
Tennis Courts — Common	45	* 6,750
Tennis Courts — Messenger's	40	* 6,000
Totals	1,192.5	120,876

* Estimated

GOLF COURSE

Mt. Hood Golf Course opened officially on April 17th, and closed in November, although little or no revenue was or could be expected during the month of November.

The Course was opened for a total of 32 weeks or 224 days of which 42 days, or approximately 1/5 of the entire season were rainy days in which little or no revenue was or could be expected.

There were 17,931 rounds of golf played on the course in 1937, an increase of 6,557 over 1936. The total receipts for the year were as follows:-

Memberships	\$2,694.50
Daily Fees	4,882.75
Lockers	130.00

Soap and Towels - Transient	68.40
Rental of Hall	384.75
	\$8,160.40

with an expenditure of \$7,690.90 for maintenance and operation of the course.

In view of the fact that the Clubhouse was not available until after July 1, 1937, and that the use of the building was not possible until that time, with toilets, lockers, etc. I feel that this is a very good record.

Recreation Building

This building was dedicated or officially opened on June 27, 1937, with Dedication Exercises as follows:-

Mr. Arthur M. Goggin, Chairman of the Park Commission acted as Chairman, at which addresses were made by His Honor, the Mayor; Mr. Elmer O. Goodridge, Mr. Dennis Delaney, W. P. A. Director of this district; Mr. George G. Baker, President of the Board of Aldermen and Mr. Walter W. Bruce, President of the Mt. Hood Golf and Recreational Association.

Second-Nine Holes Golf Course

The second-nine holes on January 1st, has 8 greens completed and seeded; 5 fairways seeded and the other green (18th) and 3 fairways in condition for early seeding.

Projects Completed During the Year With Federal Funds Are:-

Recreation Building
Addition to Ell Pond Bathhouse
Recreation Building Grading and Sewerage

Under Construction:-

Second Nine Holes of Golf Course

Recommendations

1. I recommend that the Park Commission make a study of spaces of no more than one acre of land in various sections of the city, for the purpose of establishing so-called neighborhood playgrounds, or small children play areas. I believe from my experience that there should be somewhere between six and ten of these areas established in various parts of the city to provide a safe place for small children under 12 years of age to play.

2. That Melrose Common should be entirely fenced in with a 6 foot chain link fence to prevent children from running out into the streets while at play.

3. I repeat my recommendation that the Hockey Rink be removed from its present location and be re-located along the Tremont Street shore, and that more tennis courts be built where the field house formerly stood and where the present Rink is.

4. Now that the field house has been destroyed by fire I believe

a modern building should be erected near the Tremont Boulevard corner with lavatory and shower facilities; class rooms for both boys and girls handcraft, and ample storage space to store our playground supplies and equipment.

5. That the Nature Trail be removed from the easterly boundary line to the westerly line of our property at Mt. Hood.

6. That a plan of reforestation be started in Mount Hood.

7. That the ordinance of the City be changed taking the responsibility from the Public Works Department for the Cleaning of snow from Ell Pond; but not until such time as a sufficient appropriation has been made for equipment and labor to take care of this problem.

8. That the City take the land of Casey and Lucey off Maple Street, which is now of low value, for Playground purposes, and construct a Playground thereon, which I originally recommended back in 1928, and again repeated in my 1935 and 1936 report.

9. I believe that for two reasons that the Toboggan Chute is in the wrong location.

(1) That in its present location it spoils the topography and beautification of the grounds, surroundings, the Recreation Building and the First Tee.

(2) If the Toboggan Chute is left in the present location it must be taken down and put up again every year at a great deal of expense which might be eliminated by relocating it permanently where it can be erected and be just as accessible for use as the present location.

I believe also that, we should construct another chute, the same length and size of the present one, or, make the present one a double chute of the same length.

10. That we construct what is known as Barn-door Sled Slides for each Playground, to encourage small children to use the Playgrounds for coasting instead of the streets.

In closing, I wish to take the opportunity to extend to His Honor, the Mayor, the Honorable Board of Aldermen, and the members of my Park Commission my deep appreciation for their co-operation and helpful understanding of our problems, and to the other City Officials and those working in my department with me in our varied activities, I wish to express my sincere thanks for their untiring efforts during the year of 1937.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. ROGERS,
Supt., Clerk

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

General Administration Salaries and Wages

Appropriation	\$ 4,724.00
Payrolls	\$ 4,724.00

REPORT OF PARK DEPARTMENT

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General Administration Other Expenses

Appropriation \$ 250.00

Expenditures:-

Insurance	\$ 47.02
Office	149.18
Printing	30.50
Electricity	20.06

 \$ 246.76

Unexpended Balance \$ 3.24

All Other Salaries and Wages

Appropriation \$11,000.00

Payrolls \$10,997.86

 Unexpended Balance \$ 2.14
All Other Expenses

Appropriation \$ 3,925.00

Junk Sold 21.00

Expenditures:-

Automotive Insurance	\$ 127.91
Labor Insurance	143.34
Printing	63.58
Sand	300.96
Automotive	654.00
Playground Supplies and Equipment ...	614.01
First Aid Supplies	35.04
Weed Killer	44.00
Plants and Seeds	207.42
Fertilizer - Loam - Sub - Soil	293.07
Paint - Hardware, etc	207.82
Lumber	106.53
Tools	340.12
Telephone and Electricity	60.92
Lime - Chloride	32.00
Steel Tennis Court Nets	202.00
Repair and Upkeep of Buildings	305.22
Water Bills	161.31
Miscellaneous	45.12

 Expenditures \$ 3,944.37

 Unexpended Balance \$ 1.63

Golf Course Maintenance and Operation

Appropriation

(From 1936 Golf Course Receipts)	\$ 5,200.00
Transferred from Second-Nine	2,800.00
	\$ 8,000.00

Expenditures:-

Payrolls	\$ 5,901.26
Loam - Sod - Sand - Sub-Soil - Cin- ders - Clay	570.51
Electricity	3.41
Fertilizer	262.30
Tools, Equipment, Repairing and Sharp- ening	516.58
Advertising and Printing	216.97
Bonds and Insurance	94.96
Prize	6.00
Petroleum Products	112.21
Laundry	6.70
	\$ 7,690.90

Unexpended Balance \$ 309.10

Winter Sports

Balance from 1936	\$ 1,448.00
Transferred from Watchmen Account	700.00
	\$ 2,148.00

Expenditures:-

Labor	\$ 724.11
Materials	111.78
Equipment	428.51
	\$ 1,264.40

Balance to 1938 \$ 883.60

Operation Recreation Building

Appropriation	\$ 2,100.00
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Expenditures:-

Water	\$ 29.89
Fuel Oil	400.75
Janitor Service	646.29
Electricity	77.42
Tools and Supplies	434.77

Toilet Supplies	275.12
Upkeep	205.25
	\$ 2,069.49

Unexpended Balance \$ 30.51

Hockey Rink

Balance from 1936	\$	21.04
Expenditures:-		
Cement	\$	10.89
Balance to 1938	\$	10.15

Recreation Building Furnishings and Furniture

Balance from 1936	\$	2,493.00
Transferred from 1936		1,300.00
Expenditures:-		
Furniture and Furnishings	\$	3,736.65
Balance to 1938	\$	56.35

Addition to Ell Pond Bathhouse

Balance from 1936	\$	1,249.33
Appropriation		400.00
Total	\$	1,649.33

Expenditures:-

Lumber, Nails and Brick	\$	454.72
Aggregate Materials		152.57
Steel and Hardware		31.04
Paint and Paint Materials		28.04
Plumbing		349.38
Electrical Material		25.93
Tar and Gravel Roof		550.00
Labor		57.65

\$1,649.33

Mt. Hood Projects

Balance from 1936	\$	100.10
Expenditures:-		
Equipment	\$	99.49
Unexpended Balance	\$	0.61

Buildings and Dams

Balance from 1936	\$	3,917.09
Transferred from Bridges, Settees and Shelters		581.38

Transferred from Entrance Gate	431.30
Transferred from Shelter Houses	125.00
Appropriation	2,300.00
Transferred from Second Nine	1,700.00

\$ 9,054.77

Expenditures:-

Plumbing and Heating	\$ 2,356.45
Electrical Supplies	412.02
Hardware	305.06
Lumber and Nails	2,666.45
Paint and Paint Materials	321.48
Aggregate Materials	1,012.67
Iron, Metal and Steel	110.47
Tar and Gravel Roof	160.00
Architect's Fee	300.00
Rental of Equipment	22.80
Miscellaneous (Opening Expense)	123.22
Furniture and Furnishings	1,007.24
Screen and Glass Porch	254.80

\$9,052.66

Unexpended Balance \$ 2.11

General Recreation Expansion and Improvement, Mt. Hood

Balance from 1936	\$ 246.77
Transferred to Pine Banks Park	200.00

Total \$ 46.77

Expenditures:-

Equipment	\$ 28.71
Aggregate Materials	17.32

\$ 46.03

Unexpended Balance \$.74

Recreational Building, Grading and Sewerage

Balance from 1936	\$ 1,750.49
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Expenditures:-

Aggregate Materials	\$ 1,226.56
Shrubs	107.00
Pipe	10.68
Rentals	40.00
Flagstones	96.00
Labor	216.70

\$ 1,696.94

Balance to 1938 \$ 53.55

Watchman, Mount Hood Park

Appropriation	\$ 4,000.00
Transferred to Winter Sports	700.00

\$ 3,300.00

Expenditures:-

Labor	\$ 3,185.05
Labor Insurance	34.74
Materials and Equipment	76.94

\$ 3,296.73

Unexpended Balance \$ 3.27

Shelters, Bridges, Settees

Balance from 1936	\$ 606.38
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Transferred to Buildings and Dams	\$ 581.38
Transferred to Stairs and Ramps	25.00

Melrose Common Regrading

Balance from 1936	\$ 2,221.24
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Expenditures:-

Labor	\$ 366.56
Calcium Chloride	62.00
Rentals	112.00
Seed	29.70
Sub-Soil — Loam	1,622.17

\$ 2,192.43

Balance to 1938 \$ 28.81

Messenger's Meadow Regrading

Balance from 1936	\$ 1,135.62
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Expenditures:-

Labor	\$ 11.25
Rentals	187.50
Sub-Soil	569.25
Seed	63.00

\$ 831.00

Balance to 1938 \$ 304.62

Construction of Shelter Houses at Mount Hood Golf Course

Balance from 1936	\$ 140.25
Transferred to Buildings and Dams	125.00

\$ 15.25

Expenditures:-

Paint and Paint Materials	\$	14.37
Unexpended Balance	\$	0.88

Second - Nine Materials, Supplies, Services and Land

Balance from 1936	\$	6,618.18
Transferred from Second-Nine		3,000.00
Transferred from Second-Nine		1,000.00
Transferred from Second-Nine		109.75

 \$10,727.93

Expenditures:-

Petroleum Products	\$	466.64
Office Expenditures		108.37
Automotive Parts and Supplies		38.64
Hardware		16.70
Services		2,193.74
Dynamite		205.33
Tools		119.63
Lumber		9.85
Purchase Land and Recordings		7,317.04
Paint and Paint Materials		17.34
Blue Prints		37.27
Aggregate Materials		95.94
Calcium Chloride		19.00
Iron and Steel		74.48

 \$10,719.97

 Unexpended Balance \$ 7.96

Field House, Melrose Common

Balance from 1936	\$	50.00
Same Carried to 1938		

Field House, Messenger's Meadows

Balance from 1936	\$	50.00
Same Carried to 1938		

Entrance Gate

Balance from 1936	\$	456.30
Transferred to Buildings and Dams		431.30

 Carried to 1938 \$ 25.00

Tower Road and Scout Toilets

Balance from 1936	\$	454.54
Same Carried to 1938		

Well Curb and Shelter

Balance from 1936		\$ 142.70
Transferred to Stairs and Ramp	\$ 142.70	

Second-Nine Golf Course — Materials, Supplies and Services

Appropriation		\$43,581.50
Transferred to Furniture and Furnishings	\$ 1,300.00	
Transferred to Buildings and Dams	2,300.00	
Transferred to Second-Nine Land Account ...	3,000.00	
Transferred to Buildings and Dams	1,700.00	
Transferred to Second-Nine Land Account ...	1,000.00	
Transferred to Second-Nine Land Account ...	109.75	
Transferred to Golf Course Maintenance and Operation	2,800.00	
Appropriation		10,000.00
		\$41,371.75

Expenditures:-

Automotive Parts and Supplies	\$ 812.87
Petroleum Products	963.21
Lumber and Nails	182.61
Pipe — Iron and Steel	1,982.58
Office Supplies	407.01
Hardware	36.46
Tools and Equipment	1,303.37
Labor and Services	4,037.97
Dynamite and Supplies	440.62
Aggregate Materials	19,891.34
Fertilizer and Limestone	968.92
Paint and Paint Materials	4.60
Blue Prints and Plans	59.35
Rental of Equipment	296.97
Water	10.36
Grass Seed	1,939.30
	\$33,337.54

Balance to 1938 \$ 8,034.21

Melrose Recreational Service

Balance from 1936	\$ 200.56
Transferred to Stairs and Ramps	41.97
	\$ 158.59

Expenditures:-

Rentals	\$ 100.00
Electricity	6.31
Materials and Supplies	52.28
	\$ 158.59

Report of Pine Banks Park

January 21, 1936

Mayor Robert A. Perkins,
City of Melrose,
Massachusetts.
Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find report of the Pine Banks Park receipts and expenditures for the year 1937.

Yours truly,

ROBERT A. HODGDON, Treasurer

Cash on hand January 1, 1938 in First National Bank Savings Department as shown by pass book No. 15223, with interest to September 5, 1937	\$796.50
Appropriations	
City of Malden	\$2,700.00
City of Melrose	2,700.00
Total	\$5,400.00
Expenditures:	
Pay Roll:	
City of Malden	\$1,552.80
City of Melrose	1,560.60
	\$3,113.40
Telephone	50.57
Electricity	16.44
Insurance	222.30
Water Tax	15.68
Auto, gas, oil and repairs	343.23
Hardware and Supplies	473.26
Feed and Grain for Animals	399.07
Coal, Fertilizer and Seeds	254.60
New Power Lawn Mower	98.06
Chain link fence for Ball Field	412.00
	\$5,398.61
Expended by	
City of Malden	\$2,698.61
City of Melrose	2,700.00
	\$5,398.61
Unexpended:	
City of Malden	\$1.39
	\$5,400.00
Cash on hand January 1, 1938 in Savings Bank Department, First National Bank	\$796.50

Report of the Planning Board

February 1, 1938

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The City Planning Board herewith submits its 24th annual report. The usual meetings were held and it is gratifying to report that members of this Board showed their interest by their attendance. Four hearings were held on convalescent homes, and two hearings relative to change of zone.

The Board was represented at two Legislative hearings — one relating to the old problem of Spot Pond Brook drainage, the other to making adjoining cities and towns parties in interest to border line zoning. Neither one of these meritorious measures survived. The failure to take action in the drainage question did bring results by inducing our Aldermen to appropriate money for legal service to prosecute the case.

Representatives of this Board appeared by request at Aldermanic hearings and committee meetings on matters pertaining to Ell Pond shore improvement and control of outdoor advertising.

The Board of Aldermen is to be congratulated upon its passage of the restrictive advertising ordinance and when it becomes effective in July, 1939, the public will realize the beneficial effects upon the appearance of our City. Another ordinance change will prevent the resumption of a non-conforming use after a two-year period of non-use.

The urgent problem confronting the City, since it directly affects the individual and his neighborhood, is the convalescent home. This type of use is not permitted in Residence A or B Districts except by permission granted after a public hearing held by the Building Inspector and the Planning Board. Inspection of this type of home is not made by the State authorities unless there are three or more patients. Nevertheless our local ordinance still applies, though but one patient is kept, a fact which must not be overlooked.

At the request of His Honor, a study is being made of the large outmoded house to see what may be done to relieve the owner; at the request of the Building Inspector, attention is being given to the minimum size of house lots in undeveloped sections.

The interest of the City Government in the welfare of Melrose is evidenced by the character of the suggested amendments to our

Zoning Ordinance — which shows an increasing regard for the benefits to be obtained for the City through careful zoning.

Once more the Planning Board urgently recommends the layout of the Southeast Section of the City and that an effort be made to acquire the land bordering the Fellsway which belongs to Stoneham and is serviced by Melrose.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY PLANNING BOARD,

ROGER G. RAND,
Chairman

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

WEIGHING AND MEASURING DEVICES

Scales	Adjusted	Scaled	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform, over 10,000 lbs. ...		3		
“ over 100 to 5,000 lbs.		6		
Counter, under 100 lbs.		19		
Beam, under 100 lbs.		38		
Spring, 100 to 5,000 lbs.		13		
Computing, under 100 lbs. ...		99		
Spring, under 100 lbs.		107		1
Personal weighing, (coin slot)		22		
Prescription		13		
Jewellers'		1		

Weights			
Avoirdupois	165		1
Apothecary	79		
Metric	23		
Troy	9		

Volumetric Measures			
Liquid	122		
Glass Graduates	55		
Oil Jars	125		
Dry	2		3

Liquid Measuring Devices			
Gasolene Pumps		11	1
Stops on Pumps		135	
Gasolene Meter Systems ...	1	80	2
Kerosene Pumps		2	
Grease Measuring Devices ..		23	

Linear Measures			
Yard Sticks		22	
Cloth Measuring Devices ...		1	
Totals	1	1175	8

Report of Police Department

Hon. Robert A. Perkins,
Mayor of Melrose,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Chapter 29 of the Revised Ordinances, I respectfully submit the annual report of the Melrose Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1937.

POLICE SIGNAL SYSTEM

Number of duty calls reported	52153
Number of telephone calls	11405
Number of wagon calls	11
Number of ambulance calls	349

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1937

Crimes Against the Person

	Males	Females
Assault and Battery	13	0
Assault and Battery on a Police Officer	2	0
Abduction	1	0
	—	—
Totals	16	0

Crimes Against Property

Breaking and Entering	10	0
Concealing leased Property	0	1
Conspiracy to steal	1	0
Larceny and Attempted Larceny	15	1
Larceny of Automobile	1	0
Attempted Larceny of Automobile	1	0
Unlawful Appropriation of Automobile	3	0
Using Motor Vehicle without authority	5	0
Selling Mortgaged Property	1	1
	—	—
Totals	37	3

Crimes Against Public Order

Attempt Abortion	1	1
Adultery	1	0
Viol of City Ordinances	3	0
Dog Keeping Unlicensed	3	1
Driving M. V. to endanger	1	0

Operating M. V. under Influence of Liquor	26	0
Drunkenness	127	6
Fornication	0	1
Gaming and present at	8	0
Illegitimate Child Act	1	0
Indecent Exposure	1	0
Lewd Cohabitation	1	1
Motor Vehicles laws violations	17	0
Neglect or Desertion and Non-support	6	2
Non-payment of Wages	0	1
Sodomy	1	0
Stubbornness	1	1
Truancy	7	0
Viol of Probation	12	1
Insane	15	9
Wilfully Cutting Trees	4	0
Disorderly Conduct	3	0
Selling Milk below standard	1	0
Failure to file Painting Rigging	1	0
Totals	241	24

MISCELLANEOUS WORK PERFORMED FOR YEAR OF 1937

Arrests on warrants	79
Arrests without warrants	242
Total arrests	321
Males arrested	294
Females arrested	27
Minors arrested	8
Delinquents arrested	27
Officers in Court	326
Number of cases	321
Assisted in arrests	320
Accidents reported	307
Ambulance cases	349
Automobile stopped and warned	1900
Automobile tagged	458
Buildings found open	248
Cases investigated	1943
Dead bodies found	2
Defective streets and sidewalks	58
Defective hydrants and pipes	8
Defective wires	7
Disturbances suppressed	54
Dogs killed	10
Dog bites reported	11
Fire alarms attended	146
Fire alarms given	14
Fires extinguished without alarm	5

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Glass in fire alarm boxes found broken	0
Horses killed	0
Lanterns hung in dangerous places	80
Letters delivered	1389
Lost children restored	34
Missing persons reported	25
Notices served	246
Sick and injured persons assisted	84
Street lights reported out	159
Street obstructions reported or removed	56
Summonses served	255
Visits to the libraries	104
Water leaks reported	31
Number of hours traffic duty performed	15476
Number of hours extra duty performed	204
Special messages delivered	453
Dead animals reported	40
Vacant houses investigated	1574
Search warrants, gaming implements	2
Search warrants, stolen property	1
Automobiles stolen	17
Automobiles recovered	21
Gas leaks reported	6
Amount of property recovered in city	\$8,919.00
Amount of property stolen in city	\$3,140.00
Lost property returned to owners	\$8,233.00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS B. HEATON,
Captain in Charge

Report of Public Library

January 1, 1938

To the Trustees of the Melrose Public Library:

The year just closed was a very busy one, but uneventful. The work of the Library is much the same from year to year. The demands made upon the Library are increasing with every year, and we are endeavoring to meet them all.

While there is no attempt to make a record of the number of people using the Reading Room, nor the number of questions asked, the work in that department is increasing rapidly. At times the room is crowded, and is much too small for the number of people using it. The Children's Room is likewise overcrowded at times.

The display of books at the delivery desk for special days, or special events or seasons, is greatly appreciated, and constantly used, and often answers the question, "What shall I read?"

We are glad to record the gift of One Thousand Dollars, a bequest of Mrs. Sarah Frances Dyer, "To the Trustees of the Melrose Public Library" as a memorial to the late Jabez Dyer. The bequest was received in October.

The first books to be added to the Art Room from the Odlin Fund have been purchased, with the co-operation of the Art Committee of the Woman's Club, and have been placed in the Odlin cabinet, according to the terms of the will. In the summer, additional shelves were put up in the Art Room to care for the rapidly growing collection of Art Books. The continued interest in the Art Classes, and the general use of the Art collection are a source of real satisfaction.

Our Genealogical collection is also used more and more. Hardly a day passes without some one, either our own people, or people from neighboring towns, studying in the room.

Mrs. Hattie D. Hall, the children's Librarian for fourteen years, was retired in November, under the retirement plan adopted by the city earlier in the year. Mrs. Hall had served the Library faithfully, and it was with regret that we let her go. The position of children's Librarian has been filled by Mrs. Caro Nims, who comes to us with good training and experience.

The only repair work of any importance to the building was the re-building of the two chimneys in the spring, the first time since the erection of the building that they needed attention. A new stack was added in the basement, taking care of the overflow of books on the main floor.

Book Week was observed, as is customary, with exhibits of books for all ages. Interest in the books seemed greater than other years and was very gratifying.

The Branches have all done their usual good work, with not much change in the circulation.

The Melrose Free Press and the Melrose Leader have very generously given space in their papers for Library notices and lists of books, and we express our appreciation for their courtesies. We also appreciate the helpful co-operation of the Police Department.

The Librarian wishes to express her appreciation for the splendid interest and friendliness of the Public, for the continued confidence and support of the Trustees, and for the loyal co-operation of the Staff.

Respectfully submitted,

ELSIE M. HATCH,

Librarian

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FORM OF STATISTICS

Name of Library	Melrose Public Library
City and State	Melrose, Massachusetts
Name of Librarian	Elsie M. Hatch
Date of Founding	1871
Population served (latest estimate)	23,924
Assessed valuation	\$36,656,250
Total number of agencies:	
Central Library	
Branches	4
Other agencies: School-rooms, Sanitarium, Camps	
Number of days open during the year, Central Library ...	333
Hours open each, for reading, Central Library	
69 (9 months) 66 (3 months)	
Hours open each, for lending, Central Library	
69 (9 months) 66 (3 months)	
Number of volumes at beginning of year	56,935
Number of volumes added by purchase	2,059
Number of volumes added by gift	137
Number of volumes at end of the year	59,131
Circulation of books	242,484
Number of registered borrowers	9,350

Report of the Board of Public Welfare Of the City of Melrose For the Year 1937

GENERAL RELIEF SITUATION

It has been said that if relief on the present greatly augmented basis is not a permanent fixture in city budgets, at least it is a decidedly "durable" item. The hoped for lessening of the demand which events of 1936 and the first half of 1937 gave us reason to expect would transpire, was delivered a body blow by the so-called business recession of the autumn of 1937, which now admittedly has taken on many of the aspects of a full-fledged economic depression. The full effects of this new depression were not fully felt until very near the end of 1937, but at that time there were indications that the amount of unemployment during the winter would be alarming and increased measures for relief of the unemployed would be necessary. It became necessary for the federal government to reverse its announced policy of retrenchment of the W. P. A. program and undertake instead a much expanded program. This expansion of W. P. A. has relieved the city of the necessity of spending greatly increased amounts for assistance to the unemployed. However, since the C. W. A. was inaugurated as the first of the government work programs, Melrose has been fortunate in having almost all of its employable unemployed citizens cared for at federal government expense rather than at the City's expense. There have been times, as was the case in the summer of 1937, when changes in policy and the completion of projects have necessitated the Department of Public Welfare's taking on men temporarily laid off; but eventually most such have been returned to W. P. A. employment.

The report of the Sponsor's Agent on W. P. A. activities in Melrose for the year 1937 will be found elsewhere in the City report. It is interesting here to record that in December when the payroll was at its peak, there were 271 employed on projects. This is very nearly double the number on the dependent aid rolls of the Department of Public Welfare, only a very few of whom were employable persons. The amount of the W. P. A. payroll for December was \$17,079.16 as compared with \$6,718.96, the Department's expenditures for dependent aid in December. The total amount spent for W. P. A. in the year 1937 for wages was \$209,765.76, which exceeded by nearly \$14,000, the total cost of the Department of Public Welfare. When we take into consideration also the reimbursements received from federal funds for other categories of relief, we get a good idea of the extent to which federal funds, temporarily at least, have lifted the burden of relief costs from the shoulders of the city's taxpayers.

W. P. A. SEWING PROJECT — GOVERNMENT COMMODITIES

Of special interest to the Department of Public Welfare because it acted as sponsor, is the W. P. A. Sewing Project which employed

52 women in the month of December and an average of 74 throughout the year. The December payroll was \$3,216.40, the total for the year \$49,020.88. There was considerable discussion as to whether it was in the interests of the City to continue as sponsor of this project since there was an increase demanded in the sponsor's contribution to the sum of \$12 per month per worker. Investigation was made to determine the relief status of those employed and it became clearly evident that if the project was stopped many of the women would need to apply for relief and the resulting expenditure would be greatly in excess of the amount of the sponsor's contribution. Accordingly, the project has been continued with a special appropriation for the sponsor's contribution, which in 1937 amounted to \$1,926.78.

The estimated value of clothing distributed through the Government Commissary to clients of the Public Welfare Department and of private relief agencies in the City was \$25,027.30. In addition, food to the value of \$10,479.42 was distributed. These items should properly be added to the total cost of relief in Melrose.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

The figures show Old Age Assistance to be the heaviest item in the relief budget. This would not be so, of course, if the City were carrying the total burden of unemployment relief. However, federal funds help out with Old Age Assistance also as do state funds eventually, although reimbursement from this latter source does not come currently in the year of expenditure.

The Massachusetts Old Age Assistance law which was amended radically in 1936 to reduce the age of eligibility from 70 to 65 years, was further amended in 1937 to increase from \$45 to \$50 per month the minimum grant for two sisters, or brothers, or sisters and brothers living together, all of whom are eligible, just the same as to husband and wife living together. A concerted effort was made to relieve children from the obligation to support their needy aged parents. This effort was not successful so that the Board is still empowered to make deductions from the established minima of amounts which in its judgment children should contribute. Another amendment of significance because of what it implies with respect to the relation between state and local governments in the administration of public relief is that which empowers the State Appeal Board to review any decision of a local board of public welfare in an Old Age Assistance case, or to consider any application upon which decision has not been made within a reasonable time. For the first time in the history of the Massachusetts public assistance laws this amendment gives the state authority to initiate action as concerns the carrying out of the responsibilities of local relief departments. It should be added that due to the satisfactory co-operation which has existed between the Melrose Department and the State Bureau of Old Age Assistance from the beginning, there have been only two appeals from the decision of our Board, and these decisions were upheld by the Appeal Board.

A question of paramount interest as concerns Old Age Assistance is that as to when we may expect to reach the point of stabilization when new applications will be just about balanced by deaths or removals from the list for other causes. There is no evidence as yet that that point has been reached. In 1937 the total number of new applications was 188 of which 113 were granted assistance. There were 58 cases closed; 25 through death and 33 for other reasons. This shows a net gain of 55. At the end of the year there had been no appreciable falling off in the number of new applications.

Each year we have taken occasion to emphasize the point that Old Age Assistance is not an Old Age Pension. It is a relief service. Eligibility is determined not only by the age of the applicant, residence, etc., but by his need. There is however, considerable sentiment to make it a pension which may eventually take form in law. Until that occurs, however, the Public Welfare Department is bound to carry out the obligations which the law places upon it to investigate carefully and determine the need before awarding assistance.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

There is little that needs to be said about Aid to Dependent Children. There were no amendments to the law passed in 1937. The number of families receiving this type of relief remained stable throughout the year at from 26 to 29. In this form of relief also the City receives assistance from federal funds, although not in as generous ratio as in Old Age Assistance, and from State funds.

CITIZEN INTEREST

It seems appropriate to conclude our report with a word of appreciation of the voluntary organizations which have helped carry the burden of relief in the City. Public Welfare is always the basic relief service of the City but the neighborly assistance given to families in distress by voluntary organizations, churches, and other organizations, while involving relatively a much smaller outlay of money, represents an important factor in the life of a community. Such voluntary effort in behalf of those in need is not restricted by the laws and rules which the public relief service is bound to follow. Together they constitute a rounded program of assistance in which it is necessary that all units work co-operatively together. There can be no essential difference between the official and the voluntary services for those of our people who need help. Both must be actuated by the same motives of human helpfulness. Both must be directed by citizens whose singleness of purpose is above question.

ROY M. CUSHMAN, Chairman
HELEN S. CAMPBELL
ALICE M. FAY
LUTHER B. GAINES
ADALINE G. REED

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEARS JAN. 1, 1930—DEC. 31, 1937

	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Administration:								
(a) Salaries	\$1,696.50	\$1,857.60	\$3,118.45	\$3,885.18	\$4,454.00	\$4,908.50	**\$5,510.67	\$5,373.25
(b) Other Expenses	195.70	181.19	554.57	709.25	983.97	996.50	989.58	869.43
Dependent Aid	12,865.05	23,119.18	45,293.77	66,038.47	46,009.24	56,674.38	62,328.97	68,156.24
Relief by Other Cities and Towns	6,548.40	10,788.29	13,334.59	15,877.08	14,245.41	10,408.62	*	*
Maintenance in Hospitals	1,744.00	1,752.75	2,967.25	3,423.51	*	*	*	*
Old Age Assistance			24,866.91	33,131.98	38,574.27	40,095.25	*†59,138.04	56,736.54
Aid to Dependent	2,598.73	2,535.25	2,609.99	5,110.27	6,941.82	7,765.40	11,784.76	15,015.62
Children (Mother's Aid)						720.00	*	
Nursing Service					633.73			
Purchase of Automobile								75.00
Christmas Tree Party for Needy Children					62.37	75.00	*	4,495.91
Federal Aid to Dependent Children								42,612.29
U. S. Federal O. A. A.								1,522.61
U. S. Federal O. A. A. Admin.								
Total	\$25,648.33	\$40,224.26	\$92,745.53	\$128,175.74	\$111,904.81	\$121,643.65	\$139,752.02	\$194,856.89
Toothaker Fund			119.36	67.00	121.78	296.00	176.00	
Currier Fund	1,235.70	1,429.40	656.73	578.99	292.82	914.87	1,077.26	1,306.04

**Includes \$133.67 reimbursement from Federal funds.

*†Includes \$19,050.54 reimbursement from Federal funds.

*Includes items consolidated with Dependent Aid.

STATISTICS — DEPENDENT AID**Number Receiving Partial Support**

	Number of Families	Number of Persons Represented	Single Persons
January	27	109	40
February	22	96	41
March	31	142	48
April	28	144	47
May	26	121	45
June	52	211	48
July	51	204	53
August	62	240	62
September	59	235	59
October	59	235	59
November	71	270	59
December	76	241	37

Number of individuals served in the course of the year:

Adults	448
Children	495
Total	943

Number Receiving Full Support

Children placed in foster families by the State	13
Children boarded in other Cities	0
Supported in the Malden City Infirmary	3
Supported at State Infirmary	3
Total	19
Cases discharged	
Deaths	

Old Age Assistance

	No. of Individuals
January	256
February	269
March	272
April	278
May	285
June	292
July	300
August	299
September	304
October	304
November	303
December	300
Deaths	25

Aid to Dependent Children

	Families	Children	Total No. of Persons
January	28	80	108
February	26	73	99
March	27	68	95
April	28	63	91
May	28	63	91
June	27	61	88
July	27	61	88
August	27	61	88
September	27	61	88
October	27	61	88
November	29	64	93
December	28	62	90

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS**Receipts**

	Budget Appropriations	Revenue and Transfer Orders	Receipts and Refunds	Total
General Administration	\$5,256.00	\$140.00		\$5,396.00
Dependent Aid and Relief by				
Other Cities and Towns	60,000.00	7,000.00	\$1,159.20	68,159.20
Aid to Dependent Children .	15,000.00		88.00	15,088.00
Old Age Assistance	40,000.00	16,500.00	237.20	56,737.20
U. S. Federal O. A. A.			42,763.85	42,763.85
U. S. Federal O. A. A. Admin.			1,836.46	1,836.46
Other Expenses	1,100.00			1,100.00
Christmas Party Expenses .	75.00			75.00
Federal Aid to Dependent				
Children			4,934.59	4,934.59
Purchase of Automobile		150.00		150.00
	\$121,431.00	\$23,790.00	\$49,182.84	\$196,240.30

Expenditures

	Expended	Transfer Orders	Unexpended Balance	Total
General Administration	\$5,373.25		\$22.75	\$5,396.00
Dependent Aid and Relief by				
Other Cities and Towns ..	68,156.24		2.96	68,159.20
Aid to Dependent Children .	15,015.62		72.38	15,088.00
Old Age Assistance	56,736.54		.66	56,737.20
U. S. Federal O. A. A.	42,612.29		151.56	42,763.85
U. S. Federal O. A. A. Admin.	1,522.61		313.85	1,836.46
Other Expenses	869.43	\$150.00*	80.57	1,100.00
Christmas Party Expenses .	75.00			75.00
Federal Aid to Dependent				
Children	4,495.91		438.68	4,934.59
Purchase of Auto			150.00	150.00
	\$194,856.89	\$150.00	\$1,233.41	\$196,240.30

*\$150.00 transferred to acct.

"Purchase of Auto" (See Receipts)

TRUST FUNDS

	From City Treas.	Balance from 1936	Refunds	Total Credits
Eleanor E. Toothaker Fund		\$107.99		\$107.99
A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund	\$1,000.00	568.82	\$4.00	1,572.82

Expenditures

	Expended	Balance to 1938
Eleanor E. Toothaker Fund	.00	107.99
A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund	1,306.04	266.78

General Administration

Salary of Superintendent	\$1,500.00
Salary of Board	250.00
Salary of Visitor	1,378.00
Salary of Assistants	1,545.25
Salary of Clerk of Board	700.00
Total	\$5,373.25

Other Expenses

Telephone	78.96
Postage and Stationary Supplies	482.03
Travel Expenses	24.40
Expenses of Car	181.44
Service Charges of Office Machines	54.10
Free Press	6.50
Dues	6.00
Community Health	1.00
Conference	35.00
Total	\$ 869.43

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Overdraft	Cash	Fuel	Hospital	Clothing	Cities and Towns	Medical	Total
January	1,549.25	5.64					1,566.06
February	1,652.00	14.30	21.00				1,687.30
March	1,624.75	28.20					1,652.95
April	781.00						781.00
May							
June	1,553.00	5.64	12.00		179.36	21.60	1,771.60
July	1,547.00						1,547.00
August	742.00			12.00			754.00
September	1,584.75						1,584.75
October	1,580.00						1,580.00
November	1,608.00	7.96					1,608.00
December	475.00						482.96
Total	\$14,696.75	\$61.74	\$33.00	\$12.00	\$179.36	\$21.60	\$15,015.62

DEPENDENT AID

	Cities and Towns	Food	Milk	Rent	Comm.	Cash	Fuel	Shoes	Medicine	Nurse	Miscellaneous and Moving	Hospital	Burial	Total
January		\$933.84	\$115.46	\$4.00		\$1,500.00	\$321.42	\$36.15	\$93.20	\$30.00	\$12.67	\$99.95		\$3,142.69
February	217.70	1,102.60	151.40			1,585.65	322.47	33.03	113.64	26.00	62.00	67.10		3,681.53
March		1,031.25	138.36			1,838.90	351.59	85.72	66.14	19.00	440.32	805.35		4,776.63
April	1,650.53	712.36	154.86			1,832.50	181.12	41.04	128.96	19.00	15.00	1,161.53	\$75.00	5,971.90
May	19.00	512.69	103.22			2,199.45	26.53	33.87	63.78	17.00		212.75		3,188.23
June	9,635.15	564.20	106.81	906.68		1,813.56	30.09	9.24	53.73	18.00	12.00	761.77		13,611.23
July	303.92	494.89	122.72	273.00		2,395.69	8.65	7.87	44.46	23.00	18.75	101.15		3,734.10
August	621.90	1,265.20	151.89			2,004.00	29.20	15.48	57.02	19.00	11.35	175.60		4,350.64
September	357.46	530.60	172.23	784.58		2,442.91	43.39	123.49	61.40	9.00	5.00	198.38		4,728.44
October	2,738.20	93.85	160.98	1,168.95		3,939.41	176.82	34.70	48.02	12.00	26.00	1,381.46		9,180.39
November		120.35	143.38			3,445.84	279.69	15.07	41.37	13.00	4.00	51.43		4,114.13
December	284.11	115.05	125.47			4,635.40	473.46	57.05	33.65	10.00	40.75	957.27		6,718.96
Total	\$15,807.97	\$7,476.88	\$1,646.78	\$4.00	\$3,133.21	\$29,633.31	\$2,244.43	\$492.71	\$805.37	\$215.00	\$647.84	\$5,973.74	\$75.00	\$68,156.24

CITY OF MELROSE

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

	Cash	Tel. and Supplies	Car	Shoes	Medical	Hospital	Cities and Towns	Burial	Transfer	Order	Total
January	\$6,651.00	\$4.10	\$5.88					\$100.00			\$6,760.98
February	7,123.42	5.43	7.12		\$1.00		\$53.98				7,190.95
March	7,337.00				2.00			100.00			7,439.00
April	3,731.45										3,731.45
May	3,849.75										3,849.75
June							43.91				43.91
July	8,061.23										8,061.23
August											
September	4,089.75			\$1.55	29.90		128.82	100.00			4,350.02
October	8,120.34										8,120.34
November	3,996.25										3,996.25
December	1,087.66					5.00		100.00	\$2,000.00		3,192.66
Total	\$54,047.85	\$9.53	\$13.00	\$1.55	\$32.90	\$5.00	\$236.71	\$400.00	\$2,000.00		\$56,736.54

U. S. FEDERAL GRANT, OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

	Fuel	Cities and Towns	Cash	Nurse	Medical	Hospital	Misc.	State	Glasses	Burial	Moving	Total
January												Overdraft \$2,381.24
February												
March												
April		\$13.50	\$3,689.00	\$13.00	\$2.72	\$118.00				\$100.00		3,936.22
May		139.03	3,710.75	8.00				\$84.23	\$42.50	100.00		4,084.51
June		107.39	7,861.65	11.00	12.75	189.00			7.00			8,188.79
July				13.00								13.00
August			8,138.62	20.00	1.25						\$16.00	8,175.87
September			4,126.75									4,126.75
October												
November	\$5.40		4,032.50	5.00	12.60	238.00			8.00	116.50		4,418.00
December		9.33	7,196.33	6.00	32.25		18.00		26.00			7,287.91
Total	\$5.40	\$269.25	\$38,755.60	\$76.00	\$61.57	\$545.00	\$18.00	\$84.23	\$83.50	\$316.50	\$16.00	\$42,612.29

U. S. FEDERAL GRANT, O. A. A. ADMINISTRATIVE

	Salary of Visitor	Postage	Office Supplies	Telephone	Car	Misc.	Total
January			\$20.34				\$20.34
February		\$20.00					20.00
March	\$140.00		181.50	4.23	14.36		340.09
April	80.00		4.41	4.28	10.88		99.57
May	100.00		18.62	4.75	12.37		135.74
June	90.00		3.07	4.55	6.20		103.82
July	90.00	10.03	31.84	4.30	3.40		139.57
August	80.00	26.06	26.08	4.00	6.13		142.27
September	80.00	30.09	40.87	4.00	11.77		166.73
October	100.00	35.09	17.17	4.10		\$1.81	158.17
November	80.00		1.96		1.37		83.33
December	96.67	6.00		10.31			112.98
Total	\$936.67	\$127.27	\$345.86	\$44.52	\$66.48	\$1.81	\$1,522.61

REPORT OF ADELE C. M. D. CURRIER FUND**Capital Account**

Amount in Fund December 31, 1937		\$24,546.48
Securities:		
U. S. Government Treasury Notes, 4½%	\$15,000.00	
New York Central R. R., 4½%	2,000.00	
Louisville-Nashville R. R., 3¾%	1,000.00	
1 Share Northern Railroad	100.00	
Malden Savings Bank	829.98	
Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank	619.77	
Eliot Savings Bank	647.01	
Melrose Savings Bank	4,349.72	
Total		<u>\$24,546.48</u>

Income Account

Balance January 1, 1937	\$580.19	
Income from Investment	915.01	
Paid City of Melrose		\$1,000.00
Balance December 31, 1937		495.20
Totals	<u>\$1,495.20</u>	<u>\$1,495.20</u>

TRUST FUNDS**Receipts**

	Rec'd from City Treas.	Balance from 1936	Refunds	Total Credits
Eleanor E. Toothaker Fund		\$107.99		\$107.99
A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund	\$1,000.00	568.82	\$4.00	1,572.82

Expenditures

	Expended	Balance to 1938
Eleanor E. Toothaker Fund	\$.00	\$107.99

A. C. MARIE D. CURRIER FUND

	Milk Distri- bution Fund	Cash	Christmas Candy	Clothing	Shoes	Thanksgiv- ing Food	Total
January		\$60.00	\$15.50	\$3.59			\$79.09
February				1.58			1.58
May		78.00		6.85			84.85
June		50.00		5.93			55.93
November	\$87.12			14.84	\$76.09	\$7.00	185.05
December	67.20	6.00	2.45		90.67		166.32
Total	\$154.32	\$194.00	\$17.95	\$32.79	\$166.76	\$7.00	\$572.82

A. C. MARIE D. CURRIER FUND**Income Account**

	Shoes	Christmas Dinners	Clothing	Correct'g En- try (Shoes)	Total
December	\$53.77	\$383.48	\$28.69	\$267.28	\$733.22
				Grand Total	\$1,306.04

Report of Works Progress Administration

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Works Progress Administration of Melrose herewith presents its report for the year ending December 31, 1937.

The object of the Works Progress Administration was to provide employment for those in need in the sense of want of the necessities of life, in accordance with well defined rules upon which the need of each applicant was based.

Employment under Works Progress Administration decreased greatly from 665 to 271 men and women. This decrease was due principally to reduction of quota by the Federal Government.

Distribution of surplus commodities and wearing apparel produced by Women's Sewing Unit was a feature of W. P. A. activities. There were 23,982 pieces of clothing made by the sewing unit which were sent to the regional commissary for redistribution. There were 23,611 pieces of clothing received from the regional commissary for distribution in Melrose.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT: The principal feature of work completed by this department was the construction of a cut stone faced Garage and Service Building. Grading of lots and trimming of bank in south section of Cemetery, and the copying of records of lots and graves.

CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT: Sorting, reclassification and filing of all old City Records from 1900 to present time.

PARK DEPARTMENT: The completion of a field stone Club House, including the installation of heating system; the building of Sewerage Disposal Plant and Grading of grounds about the Club House. Two old buildings were razed. Also the construction of a second nine hole Golf Course at Mt. Hood. At Ell Pond an addition was completed to the Bath House.

PINE BANKS PARK: Work started in 1936 on the Addition to Ball Field was completed in 1937.

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT: The Board of Public Welfare actively participated in all relief work in the sponsoring of the Sewing Project and in the distribution of clothing and surplus commodities. The Federal Government distributed clothing and food valued at \$35,506.00. This department also sponsored a Project on Revising Welfare Records.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: The principal work done by this department was the placing of granite curbing on streets around

city property, trimming, pruning and sanitation work on trees on city streets, also locating and plotting location of water gates.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT: This department participated effectively in the relief program through the interior decoration of class rooms in the Calvin Coolidge School, refinishing and repairing desks and chairs and other class room furniture. Completing the grading of the Calvin Coolidge School grounds, and cataloging books in school libraries.

ADMINISTRATION: Control and execution, clerical and accountancy work, connected with the prosecution of all Works Progress Administration projects.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN T. HOYT,
Sponsor's Agent

1937

FEDERAL AND CITY OF MELROSE EXPENDITURES

	Federal W. P. A.	Percentage of Participation	City of Melrose Expenditures	Total Costs
Board of Assessors	\$3,473.80	1.6	\$22.19	\$3,495.99
Cemetery Department	3,134.45	1.4	424.48	3,558.93
Park Department	132,778.15	61.9	56,714.52	189,492.67
Pine Banks Park	8,964.04	4.2	0	8,964.04
Public Works Department ..	9,093.71	4.2	4,279.89	13,373.60
Public Welfare Department ..	589.08	.3	0	589.08
School Department	3,894.53	1.8	958.21	4,852.74
City Records	1,029.31	.5	141.90	1,171.21
Sewing, Public Welfare	49,020.98	22.8	1,927.78	50,948.76
Surplus Commodities	2,688.40	1.3	355.92	3,044.32
Administration			7,318.85	7,318.85
Totals	\$214,666.45	100	\$72,143.44	\$286,809.89

Report of Public Works Department

To the Honorable Mayor, and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The thirty-eighth annual report of the Public Works Department is herewith submitted.

This department has been greatly assisted in the performance of its duties by the close co-operation of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and by all the employees who have worked loyally for the best interest of the City.

Credit for this report is given to the heads of the various divisions of the Public Works Department who have compiled it.

Attached hereto are tables showing the work done during the year and a financial statement showing the itemized costs.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. ELLIS,
Engr. and Supt. Public Works

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

ORGANIZATION — 1937

Engineer and Superintendent

FRED E. ELLIS

Division Assistants

Engineering:	CHARLES F. WOODWARD	In Charge
	ALBERT J. WAGHORNE	
	EDWIN H. KING	
Highway:	JOHN B. SIMONDS	In Charge
Sewer & Drains:	ALBERT J. WAGHORNE	In Charge
	and S. HALE HARDING	
Water:	JAMES McTIERNAN	In Charge
	and DENNIS J. MURPHY	

The City suffered the loss of the services of a valuable employee in the death of James McTiernan who passed away on March 17, 1937 at the age of 72 years.

Mr. McTiernan had been employed in the water department from 1891 to the time of his passing, and since 1901 had been in charge of the division.

Mr. McTiernan educated his men so well and left his records so complete that the employees of his division are able to carry on the work as if he were here.

Mr. Albert J. Waghorne was retired under the Pension Act on October 26, 1937. Mr. Waghorne was employed by the Town and City from August 1896 to the time of his retirement.

At various times during this period he had charge of the engineering, highway and sewers.

Since 1911 he has been Assistant Superintendent in Charge of Sewers and Drains. During his forty-one years service he gathered a vast amount of information regarding the sewer and drainage problems of the City, both as to present and future needs, which he recorded on plans and in the files of the engineering division of the City.

Although seventy-six years of age he is mentally and physically alert and his many friends wish him continued health and hapiness.

WATER DIVISION

Two thousand seven hundred ninety-two (2792) feet of new mains were laid during the year, and two thousand three hundred twenty-nine (2329) feet laid replacing cement and iron pipe of smaller size.

82 new services were laid.

2 additional hydrants were set.

96 new meters were installed and

9 old ones removed.

The following repairs and changes were made:

8 joints to iron mains repaired.

109 services in streets renewed.

54 services in private premises renewed.

2 services abandoned.

161 old meters discarded and replaced with new.

Number of water services	6,228
Number of meters on services	6,157
Number of fire hydrants in service	480
Number of drinking fountains	10
Number of fire services	25
Number of gates on mains	1,092
Length of mains in miles (see table)	72.52

WATER CONSTRUCTION — 1937

LOCATION	Cast Iron Pipe		Transit Pipe		Gates		Hydrants	
	Size Inches	Lin. Feet	Size Inches	Lin. Feet	Size Inches	No.	Size Inches	No.
Boardman Ave. Coolidge Rd. Easterly	6	210			6	1	6	1
Cochrane St. Glendale Ave. Southerly	6	145			6	1		
Damon Ave. Bay State Rd. to Heywood Ave.	6	235			6	1		
Damon Ave. At Cochrane St.	6	16			6	1		
Essex St. At Deering Lumber Co.	6	246			6	1		
Glendale Ave. Damon Ave. to Cochrane St.	6	263			6	1		
Goss Ave. Beech Ave. to Staples St.	6	5			6	1		
Heywood Ave. At Damon	6	11			6	1		
Lebanon St. At Forest St.	2	136			2	1		
Lynn Fells Parkway Linden Rd. Westerly	6	512			6	1	6	1
Lebanon St. Cor. Upham St.	6	444			6	1		
Mt. Hood Extension At Mt. Hood	6	52			6	1		
Old Brook Rd. Temple Blvd. to Park Ave.	6	142						
Park Ave. At Old Brook Rd.	6		6	325	6	1		
Pearl St. Cochrane St. Easterly								
Sunset Rd. Cochrane St. Easterly	6	50						
Sunset Rd. Cochrane St. Easterly								
Totals		24670		325		14		2

RELAY MAIN LINE — 1937

LOCATION	Cast Iron Pipe		Pipe Abandoned		Gates		Hydrants	
	Size Inches	Length	Size	Length	Size	No.	Size	No.
Botolph St. Woodland Ave. to Summit Ave.	8	224	6	224	8	1	6	1
Botolph St. Summit Ave. to West Hill Ave.	8	459	6	459	8	1	6	1
Botolph St. West Hill Ave. to York Terr.	8	149	6	149	8	1		
Meridian St. Malvern St. to Park St.	10	1096	6	1096	10	3		
Owego Pk. W. Emerson St. - North	1½	153	1¼	150	1½	1		
Woodland Ave. Franklin St. to Botolph St.	8	248	4	248	8	1		
Totals		2329		2326		8		2

TOTAL LENGTH OF WATER PIPES IN CITY — 1937

Size in Inches	Length in Feet
¾ in.	956 lin. ft.
1 in.	1,570 lin. ft.
1½ in.	1,611 lin. ft.
2 in.	7,465 lin. ft.
4 in.	47,760 lin. ft.
6 in.	212,882 lin. ft.
8 in.	30,085 lin. ft.
10 in.	28,296 lin. ft.
12 in.	26,223 lin. ft.
16 in.	12,464 lin. ft.
24 in.	3,024 lin. ft.
Totals 372,336 lin. ft	

Summary

There are 372,336 ft. or 70.52 miles of Water Mains in City

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION — 1937

STREET	FROM	TO	No. of Blocks	EDGESTONE		MACADAM	
				Straight	Curved	Lin. ft.	Sq. Yds.
Cochrane St.	Howard St.	Land of Keniston	14	840	180	565.0	1385.0
Glendale Ave. and Cochrane St.	Damon Ave.	Land of Cochrane	4	550	91	385.0	940.0
		Totals	18	1390.0	271.0	950.0	2325.0

Damon Ave., completed — work reported 1936.

CONTINUOUS WALKS — 1937

STREET	FROM	TO	Granolithic Sq. Ft.		Sodding Sq. Ft.	EDGESTONE	
			Walks	Drives		Straight	Blocks
Highview Ave.	First St.	Laurel St.	2169.0	530.0	2530.0		
Derby Rd.	# 100	# 138 incl.	1838.0	874.0	1845.0		
Derby Rd.	# 143	# 155 incl.	673.0	347.0	675.0		
E. Wyoming Ave.	# 61	71 incl.	795.5	302.0	790.0	160.0	4
		Totals	5475.5	2053.0	5830.0	160.0	4

1937 SIDEWALKS LAID AT CITY PROPERTY — STATE & WPA ASSISTANCE

STREET	FROM	TO	GRANOLITHIC		Loam Sq. Ft.	Sod Sq. Ft.
			Walks Sq. Ft.	Drives Sq. Ft.		
Sylvan St.	Cemetery West Gate ..	Sylvan St.	9008.6		7612.0	
Laurel St.	Larrabee St.	Sixth St.	3155.9		2704.0	
Sixth St.	Laurel St.	Foster St.	1567.5			
Vinton St.	At Roosevelt School ..		8564.4	117.0		830.0
Melrose St.	At Warren School		668.2			
Totals			15,256.6	117.0	10,316.0	830.0

INDIVIDUAL WALKS — 1937

STREET	OWNERS	Granolithic Sq. Ft.		Sodding sq. ft.	Edgestone		
		Walks	Drives		Straight	Curved	Blocks
106 E. Emerson St.	C. W. Baier	327.5	96.3	350.0		59.5	2
Main St. Cor. Grove St. ..	A. B. Marsh	373.5	334.6	223.0		15.0	2
Main St. Cor. Goodyear Av	Socony Vac. Oil Co.	392.5	318.3		40.0		
485 Main St.	Daisy McKenna	803.3					
495 - 497 Main St.	Frank Coyle	712.2					
443 Lebanon St.	Y. M. C. A.				57.0		
Essex St.	Hall	1076.0	245.0				
45 Sears Ave.	Deering Lumber Co.	100.0					
110 E. Emerson St.	Wilson						
Totals		3785.0	994.2	573.0	97.0	74.5	4

Note: Added to above work the City constructed or widened 36
driveways using 50 corner blocks 553 sq. ft. tar concrete
and 667.0 sq. ft. of granolithic

STREETS RETRADED — 1937

STREET	FROM	TO	Length	Width	Sq. Ft.
Bellevue Ave.	Linden Rd.	Porter St.	950	29	27,550
Conant Rd.	Cutter St.	Prospect St.	860	22	18,920
Clifford St.	Green St.	Present End	1410	22	31,020
Crest Ave.	Melbourne Ave.	Garland St.	420	22	9,240
Enmore Rd.	Hillcrest Ave.	East St.	395	22	8,690
Goss Ave.	Staples St.	Beech Ave.	250	26	6,500
Geneva Rd.	Upham St.	First St.	405	22	8,910
Hillcrest Ave.	Mooreland Rd.	Upham St.	430	26	11,180
Hessettine Ave.	E. Highland Ave.	Pearl St.	260	22	5,720
Highview Ave.	Upham St.	Harding Rd.	400	30	12,000
Keniston Rd.	Linden Rd.	Washington St.	335	22	7,370
Lynde Ave.	Russell St.	Lynn Fells Parkway	220	22	4,840
Nelson Rd.	Howard St.	Trenton St.	675	30	20,250
Russell St.	Crescent Ave.	Green St.	505	22	11,110
Short St.	Main St.	Trenton St.	175	26	4,550
Sixth St.	First St.	Laurel St.	570	21	11,970
Trenton St.	Russell St.	Washington St.	580	34	19,720
Wentworth Rd.	W. Emerson St.	Present End	870	22	19,140
Whitman Ave.	Grove St.	Beech Ave.	745	22	16,390
Washington St.	Lynde St.	Trenton St.	450	27	12,150
Totals			10,905 lin. ft.		267,220 sq. ft.
					29,691 sq. yds.

PRESENT SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS — 1937

STREET	FROM	TO	Bituminous Curb Lin. Ft.	Bituminous Walks Sq. Ft.	Loam Sq. Ft.	Gravel Walks Sq. Ft.
Baxter St.	Cleveland St.	W. lot line # 32	380.0	1900.0	1520.0	
Baxter St.	Cleveland St.	E. lot line # 11	10.0	1550.0	640.0	
Charles St.	Oakland St.	Lynn Fells Parkway	320.0		280.0	1290.0
Charles St.	So. line # 38	Lynn Fells Parkway	140.0		1350.0	
Emerson St. W.	Vinton St.	Cedar Pk.	450.0			
Emerson St. W.	Vinton St.	# 209 incl.	350.0			
First St.	Lebanon St.	W. Line # 29		2300.00	920.0	
Grove St.	# 374	# 330	240.0			1800.0
High St.	At Nos. 41 & 34		110.0		280.0	
Linwood Ave.	Sylvan St.	No. line # 49	630.0		1890.0	3150.0
Lebanon St.	Cargill St.	Malden line	560.0			
Lebanon St.	Park St.		3624.0			29000.0
Lebanon St.	# 549	Northerly	375.0	1100.0	1125.0	
Lebanon St.	Emerson St.	Northerly	445.0	700.0	1335.0	
Lake Ave.	Tremont St.	# 21	720.0	3600.0	2160.0	
Lake Ave.	Tremont St.	Public Library	830.0	4170.0	2500.0	
Larabee St.	First St.	Laurel St.	530.0		780.0	1500.0
Lynde St.	Main St.	Chestnut St.	460.0		2100.0	1560.0
Lynde St.	Linwood Ave.	Walnut St.	695.0		1020.0	840.0
Lynde St.	Linwood Ave.	Summer St.	340.0	1500.0	1090.0	
Myrtle St.	Emerson St.	Essex St.	540.0		1620.0	
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Melrose St.	Lynn Fells Pkwy.	Albion St.	680.0		2720.0	3400.0
Melrose St.	Lynn Fells Pkwy.	High School Lot	700.0		2800.0	3500.0
Melrose St.	Vinton St.	Warren School	600.0		2000.0	3000.0
Melrose St.	Vinton St.	Wendum St.	220.0		1100.0	
Mystic Ave.	Summer St.	Rendall Ct.	370.0		880.0	
Orris St.	Vinton St.	Warren St.	650.0		1950.0	2220.0
Orris St.	Warwick Rd.	Stoncham line	890.0	3000.0	2670.0	3850.0
Park St.	Linwood Ave.	Lebanon St.	300.0			1800.0
Porter St.	Bellevue Ave.	W. line # 43	390.0	1950.0	1170.0	
Russell St.	Adams St.	Trenton St.	325.0	1625.0	525.0	
Sanford St.	Cleveland St.	Maple St.	1025.0	680.0	1840.0	
Sanford St.	Tappan St.	Whittier St.	240.0		910.0	
Sylvan St.	Linwood Ave.	Lebanon St.	260.0			5480.0
Sixth St.	Laurel St.	Grove St.	300.0		2160.0	2160.0
Sixth St.	Foster St.	First St.	520.0		1300.0	1800.0
Swans Pond Ave.	Malden line	Church Property	330.0		1620.0	1620.0
Swans Pond Ave.	Malden line	Linwood Ave.	430.0		2640.0	
Summer St.	Essex St.	Myrtle St.	180.0		344.0	
Vine St.	Essex St.	Myrtle St.	330.0		1080.0	
Vine St.	Essex St.	Myrtle St.	660.0		890.0	
Vinton St.	Cypress Pk.	No. line # 75	120.0		240.0	1980.0
Vinton St.	Emerson St.	Oakland St.	605.0			
Vinton St.	Ang. at R. R. Track	Brunswick Pk.	1280.0		5120.0	
Vinton St.	Emerson St.	Southerly	190.0		570.0	
Winthrop St.	Myrtle St.	W. line City Prop.	260.0			1560.0
Willow St.	Vine St.	Essex St.	310.0			1860.0
Warren St.	Melrose St.	Northerly	125.0		500.0	
Warren St.	Melrose St.	Orris St.		2600.0	800.0	
Tappan St.	Maple St.	Baxter St.	490.0			4500.0
Total			25,170.0	26,675.0	45,835.0	92,445.0

1937 SEWER CONSTRUCTION

STREET	LOCATION	Pipe		No. Manholes
		Size Inches	Length Feet	
Glendale Ave.	Damon Ave. to Cochrane St. .	8	267	1
Sunset Rd.	Cochrane St. to Kenmore Rd.	8	297	3
Pearl St.	Cochrane St. Easterly	8	170	0
Lynn Fells Parkway	Linden Rd. Westerly	6	150	1
Total			884	5

Summary

734 feet of 8 in. Akron pipe. 150 feet of 6 in. Akron pipe.
5 Manholes. 91 House connections made in 1937

SEWER SYSTEM AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1937

Size	Length
6 in. Akron Pipe	137,812 lin. ft.
8 in. " "	95,377 " "
10 in. " "	21,947 " "
12 in. " "	12,916 " "
15 in. " "	4,830 " "
18 in. " "	8,932 " "
20 in. " "	2,788 " "
20 in. Brick "	111 " "
24 in. Akron "	1,213 " "
24 in. Brick "	28 " "
24 in. D. S. Akron Pipe	1,771 " "
24 in. Iron Pipe	24 " "
18 in. x 20 in. Brick	3,035 " "
Total	290,784 lin. ft.

Total length of sewers—290,784 lin. ft., or 55.07 miles, 2.40 miles included are owned by the Comm. of Mass. and controlled by them, but are used by the City.

1937 SURFACE DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION

STREET AND LOCATION	Pipe			No. of Manholes	No. of C. Ba.
	Kind	Size Inches	Length Feet		
Glendale Ave., Damon Ave. to Cochrane St.	Concrete	12"	260	2	2
Lebanon St., Malden line to Cargill St.	Concrete	12"	481	3	4
Cochrane St., Howard St. to Sunset Rd.	Concrete	12"	310	3	3
Spot Pond Brook, So. of No. 5 Cottage to Rear of No. 57 Trenton St.	Conduit	8' x 4"	290		
Ell Pond Brook, Rear of Methodist Church		8' x 4"	160		

SUMMARY

1051 feet, 12 inch Concrete Pipe
8 Man Holes — 9 Catch Basins

IMPROVED DRAINAGE SYSTEM AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1937

Size and Kind of Pipe	Length in Feet
8 in. Akron Pipe	1,225 lin. ft.
10 in. " "	7,522 " "
10 in. Iron "	442 " "
12 in. Akron "	49,024 " "
12 in. Iron "	1,055 " "
12 in. Cement "	1,921 " "
15 in. Akron "	20,349 " "
15 in. Cement "	747 " "
16 in. Akron "	284 " "
16 in. Iron "	1,284 " "
18 in. Akron "	9,133 " "
18 in. Cement "	945 " "
18 in. Iron "	1,238 " "
20 in. Akron "	6,289 " "
20 in. Iron "	556 " "
24 in. Akron "	3,076 " "
24 in. Cement "	1,549 " "
24 in. Iron "	524 " "
30 in. Iron "	1,222 " "
30 in. Cement "	2,797 " "
36 in. Cement "	94 " "
36 in. Iron "	1,537 " "
48 in. Iron "	68 " "
Brick Conduit	659 " "
Concrete Conduit	12,456 " "

Total 125,991 lin. ft.

Concrete Culverts—11 Number Manholes—534 Catch Basins—925

Total length of drains—125,991 lin. ft. or 23.86 miles

STATISTICS
CITY OF MELROSE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY,
MASSACHUSETTS

Location	7 miles north of Boston
Population, January 1, 1937	23,891
Number of voters	13,012
Greatest extent of the city north and south	2.44 miles
Greatest extent of the city east and west	2.95 miles
Valuation of Real Estate	\$34,986,200.00
Valuation of Personal Property	\$ 2,420,000.00
Tax Rate, per thousand	\$33.80

7.20 sq mi.

Area of City:

Land	3,079.50 acres	
Water	35.50 acres	3,115 acres
Length of public streets	56.77 miles	
Length of private streets	16.84 miles	
Total length of water mains	70.52 miles	
Total length of sewers	55.07 miles	
Range of pressure on mains from	100 to 23 lbs.	
Number of 600 candle power incandescent lights	64	
Number of 250 candle power incandescent lights	44	
Number of 100 candle power incandescent lights	2	
Number of 60 candle power incandescent lights	992	
Number of luminous arcs, all night—62; to midnight—21	83	
Number of automatic traffic signal outfits	8	

Area of Parks:

Bowden Park	.62 acres
Ell Pond Park	34.41 acres
Horace Mann Park	.60 acres
Lincoln School Playground	1.60 acres
Melrose Common	4.4 acres
Messenger's Meadow Playground	2.89 acres
Middlesex Fells	170.0 acres
Mt. Hood	225.0 acres
Pine Banks Park	81.8 acres
Sewall Woods Park	9.0 acres
Wyoming Cemetery	43.5 acres

Elevation, Main Street at City Hall ...	61 ft. above mean low tide
Elevation, Franklin Square	85 ft. above mean low tide

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT
PUBLIC WORK DEPARTMENT
CITY OF MELROSE — 1937**

WATER CONSTRUCTION

Budget	\$ 18,500.00	
B. of A. Order No. 3455	500.00	\$ 19,000.00

Expended:

Meters Set	202.05
Services	2,886.62

Main Line:

Boardman Ave.	\$ 806.89		
Botolph St.	2,838.30		
Cochrane St.	571.06		
Damon Ave.	868.59		
Essex St. - Hydrant	27.31		
Goss Ave.	2,136.32		
Glendale Ave.	806.81		
Lebanon St. at Forest	159.23		
Lebanon St. Hydrant at Upham St.	29.95		
Lynn Fells Parkway	219.98		
Meridian St. — Relay	2,398.23		
Old Brook Road	1,171.10		
Owego Park	76.48		
Park Ave.	120.46		
Pearl St.	461.50		
Sunset Rd.	1,514.41		
Temple Boulevard	217.81		
Woodland Ave.	1,485.55	15,909.98	18,998.65

Balance		\$ 1.35
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Water Construction — Bellevue Golf Club

Balance 1937	\$.85
Refunded	.85

Water Construction — Mount Hood

Balance 1937	\$ 737.45
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Expended:

Labor	\$ 150.59	
Material and Overhead	466.24	
Teams and Invoices	49.06	665.89

Balance	\$ 71.56
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Water Construction — Swains Pond Avenue

Balance—B. of A. Order No. 19442	\$	1.15
None Expended		

C. W. A. — Project

Balance—B. of A. Order No. 1525	\$	52.82	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3486 ...	\$	52.82	\$.00

Cost of Water System

Cost of System to January 1, 1937	\$929,604.42	
Construction 1937	19,664.54	
Cost of System to January 1, 1938		<u>\$949,268.96</u>

Inside Services and Charges — Working Account

Budget	\$ 1,000.00		
From Estimated Receipts	281.49		
Cash Receipts	12.09		
Committed from Deposit Account	20.60	\$ 1,314.18	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3455 ..	\$ 500.00		
Committed Items	20.60	520.60	\$ 793.58

Expended:

Labor	265.59		
Material and Overhead	395.18		
Teams and Invoices	49.50	710.27	
Balance		\$ 83.31	

Inside Services and Charges — Accounts Receivable

Accounts Due January 1, 1937	\$ 1,061.98		
Committed 1937	440.32	\$ 1,502.30	
Less—1937 Receipts		245.93	
Accounts Receivable — January 1, 1938		<u>\$ 1,256.37</u>	

Inside Services and Charges — Deposits

Balance 1937	\$ 325.00		
Committed Receipts	20.60		
Deposits	5,455.00	\$ 5,800.60	
Less—To Estimated Receipts	449.81		
Refunds	1,754.77	2,204.58	\$ 3,596.02

Expended:

Labor	1,760.56	
Material and Overhead	1,588.93	
Teams and Invoices	246.53	3,596.02
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Inside Services and Charges
Deposit Accounts Receivable

Committed Items	\$	20.60
Receipts 1937		13.79
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Deposit Accounts Receivable — January 1, 1938	\$	6.81
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File Liens on Unpaid Water Bills

Balance 1937	\$	333.33	
Budget 1937		300.00	\$ 633.33
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None Expended

New Water Meters

Budget 1937	\$	2,000.00	
Transfer Receipts		176.32	\$ 2,176.32
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Expended:

Invoices			2,155.44
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Balance	\$	20.88	
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W. P. A. — Water Gates, Locate and Plot

Balance 1937	\$	.58	
Tax Levy—B. of A. Order No. 3150a		150.00	\$ 150.58
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Expended:

Invoices			94.75
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Balance	\$	55.83	
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Water Rates — City of Malden

Budget	\$	285.71	
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Expended:

Invoices	\$	285.71	
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Water Maintenance

Budget	\$	20,000.00	
Cash Receipts		30.00	20,030.00
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Expended:

Overhead—Salaries and Wages	\$ 957.74		
Expense	3,049.12		
	\$ 4,006.86		
Less—Credits Received	2,605.43	1,401.43	
Material—Stock, Labor .	116.78		
Material Purchased ..	10,557.76		
	10,674.54		
Less—Credits Received	10,749.16	74.62 (Cr.)	
Hydrants		608.11	
Main Line		1,102.22	
Meters—Read	3,617.70		
Remove and Repair .	2,072.55	5,690.25	
Services		6,381.92	
Relay Mains:			
Botolph St.	1,393.00		
Meridian St.	3,037.41		
Owego Park	248.99		
Woodland Ave.	208.89	4,888.29	19,997.60
Balance		\$ 32.40	

Highway Repairing

Budget	\$20,000.00		
B. of A. Order No. 3367	1,000.00		
B. of A. Order No. 3412	725.00		
B. of A. Order No. 3455	500.00		
Receipts	83.83	\$ 22,308.83	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3490		500.00	\$ 21,808.83
Expended:			
Overhead—Expense	3,430.15		
Less—Credits Received	3,139.77	290.38	
Material:			
Purchases	1,144.33		
Less—Credits Received	972.84	171.49	
Clear Catch Basins		890.63	
Gravel Walks		4,072.47	
Guard Rail and Fencing		558.05	
Minor Repairs		437.59	

Street Signs and Numbers	2,311.34		
Street Sprinkling	1,853.94		
Tar Patching	4,893.08		
Traffic Painting	455.60		
Minor Charges	76.21		
Repairs by Streets:			
Franklin Street	6.49		
Grove Street at Main Street ..	254.10		
Heywood Avenue	41.61		
Laurel Street	133.42		
Lebanon Street	2,024.88		
Linwood Avenue	214.57		
Lynde Street	219.92		
Melrose Street	1,699.90		
Russell Street	92.31		
Short Street	211.38		
Swains Pond Avenue	93.40		
Sylvan Street	356.63		
Tappan Street	30.17		
Vinton Street	123.33		
Willow Street	163.05	5,665.16	21,675.94
Balance		\$	132.89

Purchase and Install Traffic Signs and Markings

Tax Levy	\$ 1,000.00
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Expended:

Labor	\$ 465.34	
Stock and Overhead	51.28	
Invoices	483.38	1,000.00

Highway Construction

Budget—1937	\$15,500.00		
Unexpended Balances	1,495.85	\$ 16,995.85	
Less—B. of A. Orders		15,745.52	\$ 1,250.33
Expended:			
First Street	.45		
Grove Street	195.92		
Larrabee Street	203.82		
Sixth Street	827.01		1,227.20
Balance		\$	23.13

Summary of Net Expenditures—Highway Construction**B. of A. Orders from Highway Construction:**

Cochrane Street, Order No. 2910	\$ 4,567.48	
Damon Avenue, Order No. 2510 and B. ..	1,030.01	
Glendale Avenue, Order No. 3196	3,980.79	
Sunset Road, Order No. 3275	16.52	
Sylvan Street, Order No. 3070	1,484.30	\$ 11,079.10

Purchase Land—Mystic Ave. and Summer St.

B. of A. Order No. 3073 and B.	\$ 75.73
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Expended:

Invoice	75.73
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Roller Receipts

Receipts from use	\$ 12.50
None Expended	

Stables—Salaries and Wages

Budget—1937	\$ 3,600.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3412	725.00	\$ 2,875.00

Expended:

Payrolls	2,781.00
Balance	\$ 94.00

Stables—Other Expenses

Budget—1937	\$ 3,500.00
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Expended:

Hay, grain and feed	\$ 1,387.03	
Heat, light and building repairs ..	622.00	
Horse Care—shoeing	\$ 498.30	
Sundries	56.81	555.11

Repairs:

Wagon	393.27	
Harness	106.50	499.77

Supplies	5.15	
Telephone	52.70	
Water Rates	19.31	
Insurance	112.38	
Sundries—Haul Carts	18.00	3,271.45

Balance	\$ 228.55
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Summary of Stables Account

Salaries and Wages	\$ 2,781.00	
Other expense	3,271.45	\$ 6,052.45
Less—Credits received from use		5,703.38
Net cost of operation above receipts		\$ 349.07

Automotive Salaries and Wages

Budget—1937	\$ 2,500.00
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Expended:

Payrolls	2,367.35
Balance	\$ 132.65

Automotive Other Expense

Budget—1937	\$ 6,500.00	
Cash Receipts	285.38	\$ 6,785.38

Expended:

Repairs and parts	883.70	
Gasoline	2,579.44	
Supplies	262.37	
Oil, grease and alcohol	311.40	
Tires and tubes	594.68	
Battery care	58.01	
Garage rent	144.00	
Telephone	44.89	
Tools	316.84	
Heat, Light and Building Repairs	378.81	
Insurance	1,074.28	
Sundries	136.30	6,784.72
Balance		\$.66

Summary of Automotive Accounts

Salaries and Wages	\$ 2,367.35	
Other Expense	6,784.72	\$ 9,152.07
Less—Receipts from use		11,014.44
Net Receipts above cost of operation		\$ 1,862.37

Automotive New Equipment

Budget—1937	\$ 900.00
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Expended:

Invoices	900.00

Purchase of Motor Vehicles and Compressor

Balance—1937	\$ 2,800.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3486	130.01	\$ 2,669.99

Expended:

Invoices		<u>2,669.99</u>
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Purchase and Install Gasoline Pumps

B. of A. Order No. 3070	\$ 500.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3486	14.24	\$ 485.76

Expended:

Labor	72.85	
Stock and Overhead	7.28	
Teams and Invoices	<u>405.63</u>	<u>485.76</u>

Purchase Motor Driven Pump

B. of A. Order No. 3486		<u>\$ 370.29</u>
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None Expended

Purchase of Motor Vehicle

B. of A. Order No. 3490		<u>\$ 950.00</u>
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None Expended

Truck Sales

Balance 1937		\$ 342.22
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Expended:

Payrolls	\$ 154.67	
Stock and Overhead	15.47	
Teams and Invoices	<u>172.08</u>	<u>342.22</u>

City Yard—Salaries and Wages

Budget—1937		\$ 1,560.00
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Expended:

Payrolls	\$ 1,499.64	
Liability Insurance	31.49	1,531.13

Balance		<u>\$ 28.87</u>
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Street Lighting

Budget—1937	\$ 35,000.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3415	\$ 650.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3411 ...	250.00	900.00
		<u>\$ 34,100.00</u>

Expended:

Invoices		<u>\$ 33,963.78</u>
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Balance		<u>\$ 136.22</u>
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Snow Removal and Sanding

Budget—1937		\$ 1,500.00
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Expended:

Plowing	\$ 359.65	
Removing	255.69	
Sanding	706.62	
Overhead	25.93	
Sundries	143.25	1,491.14

Balance		<u>\$ 8.86</u>
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Purchase of Snow Plows

B. of A. Order No. 3456	\$ 2,300.00
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Expended:

Invoices	1,825.05
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Balance	<u>\$ 474.95</u>
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Insurance

Budget—1937	\$ 9,300.00
B. of A. Order No. 3415	1,850.00
Receipts	42.32 \$ 11,192.32

Expended:

Invoices	11,144.60
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Balance	<u>\$ 47.72</u>
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Vacations

Tax Levy	\$ 5,550.00
Less — B. of A. Order #3411	200.00 \$ 5,350.00

Expended:

Payrolls	5,341.42
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Balance	<u>\$ 8.58</u>
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Pensions

Budget — 1937	\$ 16,000.00
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3415	1,200.00 \$ 14,800.00

Expended:

Payrolls	14,795.20
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Balance	<u>\$ 4.80</u>
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Claims Settled

	Order #	Approp'n	Expended
Edith A. Langley	2199	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Gordon H. Goss	3272-B	1,102.85	1,102.85
Estate of Margaret Richardson ..	3272	586.75	586.75
Marion Mace	2682	50.00	50.00

Sewer Construction

Budget — 1937	\$10,000.00		
Unexpended Balances	1,213.64	\$ 11,213.64	
Less — B. of A. Orders		9,519.50	\$ 1,694.14
Expended:			
Overhead — Expense	3,982.19		
Less Credits Received	2,205.65	1,776.54	
Material — Purchases	1,573.75		
Credits Received	1,835.68	261.93 (Cr.)	
Cochrane Street — Extension		144.29	1,658.90
Balance			35.24

**SUMMARY OF NET EXPENDITURES
SEWER CONSTRUCTION****B. of A. Orders from Sewer Construction**

	Order #	
Glendale Avenue	3197	\$ 1,149.63
Lynn Fells Parkway	3311	419.42
Pearl Street	3334	833.12
Sunset Road	3148	1,185.94
General Account		1,658.90
Net Expenditures — 1937		\$ 5,247.01

Cost of Sewerage System

Cost of System to January 1, 1937	\$954,040.25
Construction — 1937	5,247.01
Cost of System to January 1, 1938	\$959,287.26

Private Sewers — Working Account

Budget — 1937	\$ 1,000.00		
Estimated Receipts	1,048.98		
Committed from Deposit Account	128.40		
Adjustment on Committed Items	69.67	\$ 2,247.05	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3454 ...	300.00		
Committed from Deposit Acc't.	246.09	546.09	\$ 1,700.96

Expended:

Labor	875.76	
Teams & Invoices	145.29	
Stock & Overhead	545.31	1,566.36
Balance		\$ 134.60

Private Sewers—Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable January 1, 1937	\$ 195.96	
Committed 1937	596.48	\$ 792.44
Less—Receipts 1937		474.27
Accounts Receivable January 1, 1938		\$ 318.17

Private Sewers—Deposits

Balance—1937	\$ 680.00	
Committed Items	195.52	
Deposits	6,694.00	\$ 7,569.52
Less—Refunds and to Estimated Receipts	3,439.45	\$ 4,130.07

Expended:

Labor	\$ 2,247.22	
Stock and Overhead	1,638.68	
Teams and Invoices	244.17	\$ 4,130.07

Private Sewer Deposits — Accounts Receivable

Committed	\$ 198.07	
Less—Receipts and Adjustment	138.56	
Deposits Accounts Receivable to January 1, 1938		\$ 59.51

Sewer Maintenance

Budget—1937	\$ 3,000.00
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Expended:

Labor	2,376.44	
Stock and Overhead	273.07	
Teams and Invoices	214.91	2,864.42
Balance		\$ 135.58

Sewer Connections

Balance — 1937	\$ 395.59	
Receipts	664.21	\$ 1,059.80
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3414	500.00	\$ 559.80

Expended:

Labor	144.77	
Stock and Overhead	49.77	
Teams and Invoices	16.92	211.46
Balance		\$ 348.34

Surface Drain Construction

Budget—1937	\$ 7,500.00	
Tax Levy	2,500.00	
B. of A. Order No. 3451	4,600.00	
Cash Receipts	69.12	\$ 14,669.12
Less—B. of A. Orders No. 3451 ..	4,600.00	\$ 10,069.12

Expended:

Ell Pond Brook at Methodist Church	2,164.83	
Grove Street	32.08	
Lebanon Street	3,012.95	
Meadow Brook Road	137.72	
Spot Pond Brook Wall	4,714.26	10,061.84
Balance		\$ 7.28

Boardman Avenue Drain

B. of A. Order No. 3451	\$ 1,800.00
None Expended	

Wall and Cover Spot Pond Brook

B. of A. Order No. 3451	\$ 2,800.00
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Expended:

Material	7.37
Balance	\$ 2,792.63

Cost of Surface Drainage System

Cost of System to January 1, 1937	\$527,281.25
Expended—1937	10,069.21
Cost of System to January 1, 1938	\$537,350.46

Surface Drainage Maintenance

Budget—1937	\$ 6,500.00	
B. of A. Orders—3454	\$ 300.00	
B. of A. Orders—3414	500.00	800.00
		\$ 7,300.00

Expended:

Labor	5,784.03	
Stock and Overhead	668.47	
Teams and Invoices	836.59	7,289.09
Balance		\$ 10.91

Continuous Walks

Budget—1937	\$ 4,000.00	
Unexpended Balances	610.41	\$ 4,610.41
Less—B. of A. Orders	4,301.03	\$ 309.38

Expended:

Overhead—Expense	521.07	
Less Credits Received	495.29	25.78
Material—Purchases	8,152.46	
Less Credits Received	8,209.38	56.92 (Cr.)
Sodding Expense—Net Credit ...	53.37 (Cr.)	84.51
Balance		\$ 393.89

Summary of Net Expenditures—Continuous Walks

	Order #	
Derby Road	2196	\$ 934.79
Derby Road	2196-B	329.53
Highview Avenue	2863	989.63
East Wyoming Avenue	2901	723.67
Net Expenditures		\$ 2,977.62

Municipal Sidewalks—Sundry Streets

Balance—1937		\$ 4,357.78
Expended:		
Labor	\$ 530.30	
Stock and Overhead	3,343.67	
Teams and Invoices	311.17	4,185.14
Balance		\$ 172.64

Individual Walks

Balance—1937	\$ 78.25	
Budget	500.00	
B. of A. Orders No. 3386	300.00	
Deposits	2,433.53	\$ 3,311.78
Less—Refunds	451.98	\$ 2,859.80

Expended:

Labor	838.56	
Stock and Overhead	1,517.44	
Teams and Invoices	359.96	2,715.96
Balance		\$ 143.84

Repair of Walks

Budget—1937	\$ 4,000.00	
B. of A. Orders	2,057.01	\$ 6,057.01

Expended:

Labor	2,786.82	
Stock and Overhead	1,423.83	
Teams and Invoices	1,843.95	6,054.60
Balance		\$ 2.41

Care of Trees

Budget—1937	\$ 7,000.00	
Cash Receipts	21.93	\$ 7,021.93

Expended:

Labor	5,240.35	
Stock and Overhead	637.45	
Teams and Invoices	837.07	6,714.87
Balance		\$ 307.06

Plant New Trees

Budget—1937	\$ 350.00	
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Expended:

Labor	\$ 219.36	
Stock and Overhead	52.64	
Teams and Invoices	78.00	350.00

W. P. A. — Trees: Trim, Prune and Repair

Balance	\$ 63.23	
Tax Levy	600.00	\$ 663.23

Expended:

Labor	9.62	
Stock and Overhead	3.85	
Teams and Invoices	255.68	269.15
Balance		\$ 394.08

Collection of Ashes and Rubbish

Budget—1937		\$ 13,500.00
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Expended:

Ash Collections	\$ 7,808.04	
Paper Collections	3,178.46	
Level Dump	1,685.19	
Liability Insurance	304.45	
Deliver Ash Schedule Notices	156.52	
Ash Schedule Cards	29.00	
Sundries	45.27	13,206.93

3874 Loads Handled		
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Balance		\$ 293.07
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Collection of Garbage

Budget—1937		\$ 19,500.00
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Expended:

Labor	\$ 13,202.69	
Teams and Invoices	5,760.21	
Liability Insurance	526.99	19,489.89

Balance		\$ 10.11
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New Garbage Building and Equipment

Balance—1937	\$ 300.41	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3486	173.22	\$ 127.19

Expended:

Labor	77.00	
Stock and Overhead	7.70	
Teams and Invoices	42.49	127.19

Street Cleaning

Budget—1937	\$ 6,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 3411	450.00	\$ 6,450.00

Expended:

Labor	5,462.70	
Stock and Overhead	575.99	
Teams and Invoices	390.55	6,429.24

Balance		\$ 20.76
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Public Works — Salaries and Wages

Budget—1937		\$ 14,000.00
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Expended:

Payrolls	\$ 13,994.83	
Liability Insurance	5.16	13,999.99
Balance		<u>\$.01</u>

Public Works Expense

Budget—1937	\$ 600.00
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Expended:

Supplies	\$ 189.29	
Stationery and Printing	181.15	
Stamps	10.00	
Telephone	165.38	
New File	31.30	
Advertising	11.00	
Subscriptions	5.00	
Service Charge — Adding Machine	5.00	598.12
Balance		<u>\$ 1.88</u>

Engineers — Salaries and Wages

Budget—1937	\$ 8,000.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3430	400.00	\$ 7,600.00

Expended:

Payrolls	6,659.73	
Liability Insurance	67.86	6,727.59
Balance		<u>\$ 872.41</u>

Engineers' Expense

Budget—1937	\$ 1,200.00
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Expended:

Use of Car	\$ 614.00	
Supplies	227.71	
Sundries:		
Plans	\$ 4.50	
Prints	15.97	
Recording	18.89	
Filing Case	188.65	
Tools	3.00	
Repair Blue Print Machine	14.45	
Goggles	3.00	248.46
Balance		<u>\$ 109.83</u>

City Hall — Salaries and Wages

Budget—1937		\$ 3,250.00
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Expended:

Payrolls	\$ 3,154.23	
Liability Insurance	38.10	3,192.33
Balance		\$ 57.67

City Hall — Architects' Fees

B. of A. Order No. 3206-B	\$ 1,400.00

None Expended

City Hall — Fire Loss

B. of A. Order No. 3206	\$ 4,600.00
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Expended:

Labor	\$ 33.05	
Overhead	3.31	
Electric Repairs	148.25	
Wiring	878.33	
Roof Repairs	49.56	
Insurance Adjustment	500.00	
Advertising	8.50	
Sundries	105.51	1,726.51
Balance		\$ 2,873.49

City Hall Fire Loss Receipts

Adjustment		\$ 20,587.00
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3206 ...	\$ 4,600.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 3206-B .	1,400.00	6,000.00
Balance		\$ 14,587.00

City Hall — Public Convenience Station

Tax Levy	\$ 3,000.00
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Expended:

Labor	\$ 465.80	
Stock and Overhead	49.08	
Teams and Invoices	373.31	888.19
Balance		\$ 2,111.81

City Hall Expense

Budget—1937	\$ 5,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 3430.....	400.00	\$ 5,400.00

Expended:

Supplies	346.88	
Alterations and Repairs	1,263.83	
Gas	47.72	
Electricity	1,505.00	
Fuel	1,084.84	
Telephone	52.00	
Towel Care	80.26	
Ice:		
Natural	\$ 48.32	
Water Filter	35.00	83.32
Painting	799.00	
Fill Vase	30.00	
Shrubs	13.50	
Seed	.38	
Water Rates	58.30	5,365.03
Balance		\$ 34.97

Board of Survey Expense

Budget—1937	\$ 25.00
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Expended:

Invoices	13.75
Balance	\$ 11.25

Report of Registrars of Voters

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Registrars of Voters respectfully submits its report for the year 1937.

The sessions held by the Board during the year have been principally concerned with the compilation of the Jury List, copies of which were sent, as required by law, to the several courts within the city's jurisdiction, revision of the general and annual registers and certifying names contained in petitions under the laws relating to initiative and referendum.

Meetings were also held to consider matters relating to the removal of names from the register of voters and other questions relating to registration, the total number of sessions for the year numbering eleven.

As a result of the action of the Board of Aldermen on December 3, 1934, redividing the city into new wards, as provided in Order No. 2020, and the further action of said Board on April 1, 1935, dividing such wards into precincts, as provided in Order No. 2198, whereby each ward now contains two voting precincts, the list of persons residing in the city twenty years of age and over on January 1, 1937, was prepared by assessors in accordance with the new arrangement, necessitating a complete re-arrangement of the voting list for the year 1937 for use at the ensuing Party Primary.

The number of registered voters in the city of Melrose as contained in the annual register, revised as aforesaid, is as follows:

WARDS

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2	5-1	5-2	6-1	6-2	7-1	7-2
954	981	924	1035	891	881	869	989	926	1006	1050	817	812	928

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,

by RAYMOND H. GREENLAW,
Clerk.

Report of Contributory Retirement Board

March 19, 1938

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Melrose, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The Retirement Board of the Contributory Retirement System of the City of Melrose respectfully submits its first report covering the transactions of the system for the six months ending December 31, 1937.

The Establishment of the Retirement System

At the biennial state election, on November 3, 1936, the city, by an affirmative vote of 5,433 to 3,351, accepted Chapter 318 of the Acts of 1936, an act which amended certain sections of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, and provided for the establishment of a Contributory Retirement System for municipal employees in cities and towns having a population of over ten thousand persons.

Under date of November 16, 1936, a certificate was issued by the Commissioner of Insurance authorizing the establishment of a Retirement System in the City of Melrose, to become operative on July 1, 1937.

Organization of the Retirement Board

Section 31F, paragraph 1, of the above acts, provides as follows: The management of the Retirement System is hereby vested in a Retirement Board, the members of which shall be constituted as follows:

(a) the City or Town Auditor or Accountant, or officer having similar powers and duties;

(b) one person to be appointed in a city by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Board of Aldermen, or in a town, by the Selectmen, to serve for a term of three years from the date when the system becomes operative, and until the qualifications of his successor; and

(c) one person who shall be a member of the system to be so appointed to serve for a term of one year, commencing on said date, and until the qualifications of his successor.

On March, 15, 1937, Mr. John R. Davis was appointed to the Board to serve for the three year term.

Mr. Gardner B. Wardwell automatically became a member as City Auditor.

On August 16, 1937, Mr. Raymond H. Greenlaw, as a member

of the system was appointed the third member of the Board to serve for a term of one year.

The organization meeting of the Board was held on August 23, 1937, at which time Mr. Wardwell was elected Chairman and Mr. Greenlaw was elected Clerk.

Administration and Management

Subject to the provisions of the retirement act and under the supervision of the Commissioner of Insurance, the Retirement Board has full control of the management of the Retirement System. The Board is required to keep a record of all its proceedings and to publish annually a report showing the fiscal transactions of the System for the preceeding municipal year. A copy of such report must also be filed with the Commissioner of Insurance. The City Solicitor serves as legal adviser to the Board while the actuarial service is rendered by the actuarial staff of the Division of Insurance of the Department of Banking and Insurance of the Commonwealth. The board may employ registered physicians to conduct examinations in cases of disability of members and may also employ such clerical assistance as is needed to transact the business of the System.

The income of the Retirement System is derived from the amounts deducted weekly or monthly from the regular pay of members, from annual appropriations by the City and from the income from invested funds. The board is charged with the investment of all monies not needed for current expenses and retirement allowances and may invest the funds of the System only in such securities, other than mortgages, as are legal for the investment of funds of savings banks in the Commonwealth or may deposit its funds in such savings banks. The City Treasurer is ex-officio treasurer of the Retirement System and custodian of its funds and is authorized to make payments from the funds only upon the signatures of two persons designated by the Retirement Board to approve all payments. The expenses of administration are met by appropriations by the City and, unlike the situation in most City departments, any unexpended balances at the end of the fiscal year are carried forward as assets of the System.

Eligibility for Membership

The retirement act provides that all persons other than teachers in the public schools who, while under age fifty-five, become regular employees of the City on or after July 1, 1937, must automatically become members of the Retirement System after completing ninety days of service. Under appropriate rules and regulations, the Retirement Board may determine who is an employee within the meaning of the act. Officials and other employees who serve without compensation, or whose annual rate of compensation is small or who devote only a small part of their time to the service of the City, have been excluded from mem-

bership, it being the intent to confine membership in the System to the class of employee whose service for the City constitutes a substantial part of his whole employment and whose compensation paid from City funds constitutes a substantial part of his earnings.

All persons regularly employed in the service of the City on July 1, 1937 had the privilege of becoming members of the Retirement System providing they were devoting a substantial part of their time to the service of the City. For these employees, while membership in the System is not compulsory, all credits for service rendered prior to the date such employee joins the system will be forfeited unless he enrolls prior to July 1, 1938.

Employee Payroll Deductions

The Treasurer withholds five per cent of the regular compensation, not in excess of fifty dollars weekly, due on each pay day to all employees who are active members of the System and who are under age seventy. These deductions are credited to the member's individual account in the Retirement System and interest at a rate of not less than three per cent per annum compounded annually is allowed on these deductions. In the case of the withdrawal of a member from service before retirement, his deductions together with any interest credits are returned to him upon termination of his service, or in the case of his death before retirement his deductions and interest are paid to his designated beneficiary.

Retirement for Superannuation

Retirement for superannuation may take place at the request of the member or at the request of the head of his department at any time after he has attained age sixty. Retirement is compulsory at age sixty-five for firemen and policemen and at age seventy for other members of the System, except that members who were age seventy or over July 1, 1937, may at the discretion of the Retirement Board continue in service for a period of not more than two years from the date the System became operative. Persons fifty-five years of age or over who first enter the service of the City on or after July 1, 1937, are not entitled to membership in the Retirement System, but nevertheless the act provides that no such employee may remain in the service of the City after reaching age seventy.

At retirement the member's accumulated deductions are converted into a life annuity of equivalent actuarial value based upon the mortality table and interest rate prescribed by the Commissioner of Insurance. Annuity payments are made monthly on the first day of each month so long as the employee is alive, the first payment being due one month after retirement. Under the normal option there is no benefit payable at the death of the pensioner, although at retirement he may elect to receive a smaller annuity and thereby guarantee that at his death the excess, if any, of his accumulated deductions at retirement over the sum of the annuity payments received by him, will be paid to his beneficiary.

The retired member also receives a pension paid out of monies appropriated by the City. The amount of this pension for membership service is generally equal to the full life annuity provided by the member's own accumulated deductions, although it is subject to certain maximum limitations, notably that it shall not exceed one-third of his average annual rate of compensation during the five years last preceding retirement. In addition, if the member has credit for service rendered prior to July 1, 1937, he receives a further pension which in effect will give him a total retirement allowance from all sources approximately equal to what he would have received had the Retirement System been in operation throughout the entire period of his creditable service in the City.

The total pension paid to a member from appropriations by the City is also subject to certain maximum limitations, one of the most important of which is that it shall not exceed one-half the average annual rate of compensation for the five years preceding retirement. There is also a provision that the total retirement allowance composed of the member's annuity and the pension provided by the City's contributions, for members with twenty years of creditable service or for members retiring at the maximum age for their group who have completed five years of creditable service, shall be not less than \$40 per month. Members who are firemen or policemen receive additional pensions by virtue of a provision which makes retirement compulsory at age sixty-five instead of at age seventy, in effect providing them with the same retirement allowances which they would have received had they continued in service five years longer and then retired. In general for any group, the larger amount of compensation received, the longer the member has been employed in the service of the City and the older he is at retirement, the greater will be his retirement allowance for superannuation.

Activities of the Retirement Board

Following the adoption of the act by the voters, a general meeting was held at the Melrose High School with the employees of the Cities of Melrose and Malden and the Towns of Stoneham, Wakefield, and Saugus, at which meeting Mr. Kenneth Damren, Personnel Director of the Division of Accounts, and Mr. Kenney, of the Retirement System of the City of Boston, explained the provisions of this act and answered many questions.

One other general meeting was held for the employees of the City of Melrose, at which time opportunity was afforded to ask questions and to discuss any individual problems. At all times the individual members of the Board have been available for consultation with any employee who desired to bring up matters pertaining to his or her membership in the system.

Since the organization of the Board, thirteen meetings have been held for the official transaction of business, to the end of establishing a smooth working system.

The Board has granted pensions to eight members, the details of these retirements being shown in the schedule of "Members Retired and Amount of Payment made during 1937". We, also, granted the two years' extension allowed by the law to three members of the system.

In 1937, there was appropriated the sum of \$6,350 for the benefit of the Retirement System. This appropriation covered only half a year of the operation of the system. \$6000 of this amount was for the Pension Accumulation Fund and \$350 for the Expense Fund. The details of expenditure from these funds are set forth in the statement submitted herewith.

The appropriation required for 1938 is as follows:

Appropriation Required for 1938

The appropriation required for 1938 is based upon the active members' payrolls of \$195,363.00, as of December 31, 1937. This appropriation was computed by the Insurance Division of the Commonwealth, and is made up as follows:

	Amount	Per cent of Payrolls
Normal Contribution	\$5,053.00	2.60
Accrued Liability	9,718.00	5.00
Extraordinary pension amounts	7,573.00	3.43
Total as determined by Insurance		
Division	22,344.00	11.03
Interest Deficiency in 1937	41.32	
Total for Pension Accumulation		
Fund	22,385.32	
Expense Fund	550.00	
Total Required for 1938	22,935.32	
Less: Amount available from 1937	3,000.00	
Total to be appropriated in 1938		
Budget	<u>\$19,935.32</u>	

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER B. WARDWELL, Chairman
 RAYMOND H. GREENLAW, Clerk
 JOHN R. DAVIS

**CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM
CITY OF MELROSE**

**Statement of Income and Disbursements for the
Six Months Period ended December 31, 1937**

Income		
Members' Contributions credited to their accounts in the Annuity Savings Fund ...	\$4,739.14	
Members' Voluntary Additional Contributions	39.00	\$4,778.14
Appropriation by the City for:		
Pension Accumulation Fund	6,000.00	
Expense Fund	350.00	6,350.00
Increase by adjustment on value of Bonds ..		2.07
Total Receipts		\$11,130.21
Disbursements		
Annuity Payments		\$.65
Pension Payments to members retired for superannuation		1,814.79
Refund of Contributions		55.23
Administration Expenses:		
Clerical	\$12.00	
Printing and Stationery	202.93	
Postage and Telephone	12.83	
Furniture and Fixtures	48.63	
Safety Deposit Box Rent	5.50	281.89
Total Disbursements		\$2,152.56
Ledger Assets December 31, 1937 ...		\$8,977.65

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1937

Assets	
Book Value of Bonds	\$3,368.95
Cash—First National Bank of Boston	5,566.75
Investment Income—Bonds	41.95
Total Assets	\$8,977.65
Liabilities	
Annuity Savings Fund	\$4,692.96
Annuity Reserve Fund	29.30
Pension Accumulation Fund	4,185.21
Expense Fund	68.11
Amortization of Bonds	2.07
Total Liabilities	\$8,977.65

**SCHEDULE OF MEMBERSHIP FOR 1937
ACTIVE MEMBERS**

	Members Eligible for Prior Service Credit				Members Not Eligible for Prior Service Credit			
	Men	Women	Firemen and Policemen	Men	Women	Firemen and Policemen	Total Membership	
Enrolled During 1937	102	30	1	1	1	0	135	
Retirements for Superannuation	8	1	0	0	0	0	9	
Withdrawal	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	
Total deductions	8	2	0	0	0	0	10	
Membership December 31, 1937 .	94	28	1	1	1	0	125	

Pensioners

Retirements for Superannuation	8	1	0	0	0	0	9
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TOTAL MEMBERSHIP — DECEMBER 31, 1937

Membership	102	29	1	1	1		134
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**Summary of the Number and Six Months' Salaries
of Active Members as of December 31, 1937**

	Number	Six Months Salaries
Members Eligible for Prior Service Credit:		
General Employees — Men	94	\$74,277.80
General Employees — Women	28	19,057.40
Firemen and Policemen	1	1,500.00
Members not Eligible for Prior Service Credit:		
General Employees — Men	1	25.00
General Employees — Women	1	395.20
Total	125	\$95,255.40

SCHEDULE OF BONDS — DECEMBER 31, 1937

Name	Int. Rate Effective	Value Book	Value Par
Great Northern Railway Co. General Mortgage Convertible 4's due July 1, 1946	4.23%	\$1,892.07	\$2,000.00
Northern Pacific Railway Co. — Prior Lien 4's due January 1, 1937	4.06%	1,476.88	1,500.00
Total		\$3,368.95	\$3,500.00

CITY OF MELROSE

**SCHEDULE OF MEMBERS RETIRED AND
AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS MADE DURING 1937**

Name	Position	Date of Retirement	Length of Service	Age at Retirement	Amt. of Annuity	Amt. of Pension	Total Amount
Victor C. Kirmes	City Clerk	Aug. 1, 1937	55 yrs.	81 yrs.	\$0	\$614.60	\$614.60
Charles Trentsch	Laborer	Sept. 28, 1937	12 yrs.	77 yrs.	0	120.00	120.00
Charles J. Critchett	School Janitor	Sept. 28, 1937	36 yrs.	75 yrs.	0	207.00	207.00
Albert J. Waghorne	Asst. Supt.	Oct. 26, 1937	41 yrs.	76 yrs.	0	224.69	224.69
Denis Cronin	Laborer	Aug. 24, 1937	8 yrs.	70 yrs.	.36	119.64	120.00
Clarence P. Holden	City Physician and Ch'm. Bd. of Health	Sept. 30, 1937	33 yrs.	85 yrs.	0	275.00	275.00
Charles C. Garey	Custodian	Dec. 1, 1937	25 yrs.	76 yrs.	0	83.53	83.53
Michael J. Hanley	Dog Officer	Sept. 28, 1937	38 yrs.	72 yrs.	0	120.00	120.00
Mrs. Hattie D. Hall	Librarian	Nov. 21 1937	16 yrs.	70 yrs.	.29	50.33	50.62
Totals					\$.65	\$1,814.79	\$1,815.44

Report of School Department

School Department 1938

OFFICERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Chairman, WARREN L. ADAMS

Corres. Secretary, MRS. MARGARET H. LANG

Recording Secretary, HERMAN H. STUART

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Name and Residence	Telephone	Term Expires
Charles H. Adams 25 Rowe Street	Office Mel. 2120-W Res. Mel. 2120-R	1940
Warren L. Adams, Chmn. 12 W. Emerson Street	Office Mel. 0456 Res. Mel. 1906-J	1938
Geoffrey G. Felt 37 Elm Street	Office Lib. 4900 Res. Mel. 0488	1938
Robert A. Friend 67 Lovell Road	Office Mel. 0354 Res. Mel. 2242	1940
Mrs. Maude M. Johnson 100 Bellevue Avenue	Res. Mel. 4129	1938
Mrs. Margaret H. Lang, Cor. Sec'y 45 Francis Street	Res. Mel. 2203-J	1940
Ralph D. Leonard 177 Bellevue Avenue	Office Ken. 0401 Res. Mel. 2094	1938
Edward J. Wall 32 Melbourne Avenue	Office Ken. 8840 Res. Mel. 0202-W	1940
Benning L. Wentworth 75 Beech Avenue	Office Lib. 9410 Res. Mel. 1589-W	1938

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in the Committee Room, Calvin Coolidge School, on the first Monday of every month, except July and August, at 8.00 p. m.

Superintendent of Schools

Herman H. Stuart, 6 York Terrace

Office: Calvin Coolidge School

Telephone: Office, Melrose 2284 and 2285

Telephone: Residence, Melrose 2690

Secretary: Ethel M. Spaulding, 81 Lynde Street, Tel. Mel. 2868-W

Financial Secretary: Emily N. Osgood, 654-A Main St.,

Tel. Melrose 3195-M

**REPORT OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

December, 1937

To the School Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am herewith presenting my sixteenth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

(Complete copies of Superintendent's report may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent.)

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. STUART,
Superintendent of Schools.

TABLE I

School Year	School Census	No. of different pupils enrolled in elementary schools exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of different pupils enrolled in High School exclusive of re-enrollment	Average membership in elementary schools	Average membership in High School	Average attendance in elementary schools	Average attendance in High School	No. of graduates from High School	No. of graduates from grammar schools
1917-18	3495	2129	684	2022.77	618.47	1898.68	591.11	106	179
1918-19	3647	2192	644	2085.09	588.02	1924.15	560.24	98	185
1919-20	3982	2281	693	2152.17	616.54	1992.80	591.41	103	165
1920-21	4015	2412	647	2309.36	608.89	2200.92	582.07	121	214
1921-22	3925	2446	677	2377.92	642.41	2229.98	620.21	89	228
1922-23	3079	2570	715	2447.18	736.37	2259.76	705.92	111	177
1923-24	3214	2548	790	2423.27	803.62	2292.52	774.46	136	239
1924-25	3657	2564	888	2497.10	831.69	2345.91	798.18	167	228
1925-26	3700	2645	911	2528.09	870.46	2356.61	841.42	177	222
1926-27	3685	2708	945	2609.63	915.44	2494.89	892.57	169	230
1927-28		2771	1023	2709.62	978.06	2562.24	943.52	183	299
1928-29		2834	1087	2789.19	1065.85	2611.80	1009.23	218	240
1929-30		2970	1116	2877.79	1076.33	2714.84	1028.85	192	251
1930-31		3005	1136	2941.75	1130.88	2788.58	1080.71	225	274
1931-32		3002	1223	2917.76	1206.61	2754.75	1150.69	249	282
1932-33		3025	1327	2916.32	1257.65	2753.65	1195.28	245	261
1933-34		2990	1359	2894.60	1289.62	2727.04	1231.48	267	286
1934-35		2984	1377	2923.17	1343.75	2760.98	1272.90	283	295
1935-36		2897	1426	2831.15	1371.61	2698.33	1311.57	285	298
1936-37		2935	1423	2872.31	1371.29	2715.12	1313.28	271	325

TABLE II

Percentage of Pupils Belonging June 1937 Who Failed of Promotion

Schools	GRADES								Total Average Percent Failed
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Coolidge	13.33	0.00	0.00	6.89	3.12	8.57	10.05	7.54	6.18
Franklin			3.17	9.23	0.00	5.71			4.52
Gooch	7.40	5.00	9.37	0.00	0.00	0.00			3.62
Lincoln	15.62	8.77	5.71	7.14	4.00	0.00	8.69	5.47	6.92
Ripley	6.25	0.00	0.00	11.11	0.00	4.34			3.61
Roosevelt					0.00	0.00	6.87	2.11	2.24
Warren	2.63	2.77	3.12	17.14					6.41
Washington	5.45	0.00	10.00	0.00	2.63	10.00			4.68
Whittier	12.50	0.00							6.25
Winthrop	4.83	1.42	3.84	7.24	2.73	6.89			4.49
Tot. Average	8.50	2.28	8.80	7.38	1.56	4.43	8.53	5.04	5.81

Percentage of Pupils Belonging June 1937 Who Were Conditioned

Schools	GRADES								Total Average Percent Condi- tioned
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Coolidge	13.33	0.00	0.00	6.89	3.12	8.57	10.05	7.54	6.18
Franklin			7.93	13.84	17.04	2.85			10.41
Gooch	7.40	5.00	6.25	4.00	8.00	25.00			9.27
Lincoln	14.06	7.01	4.28	2.85	8.00	11.76	10.86	9.58	8.55
Ripley	6.25	13.63	0.00	11.11	12.50	17.39			10.14
Roosevelt					20.00	20.51	6.87	9.15	14.13
Warren	0.00	0.00	9.37	0.00					2.34
Washington	18.18	3.92	15.00	15.78	10.52	5.00			11.40
Whittier	3.12	0.00							1.56
Winthrop	6.45	12.85	5.13	13.04	8.21	8.62			9.05
Tot. Average	8.18	5.30	8.33	8.43	11.31	13.53	11.23	9.38	9.46

TABLE III
PERCENTAGE OF PUPILS WHO FAILED OF PROMOTION
 1933 — 1937

Grades	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	Total Average Percent Failed
I	8.29	11.33	9.73	10.02	8.50	9.57
II	6.01	3.53	5.83	6.02	2.28	4.73
III	4.73	8.03	4.46	4.52	8.80	6.10
IV	4.03	7.11	3.19	2.91	7.38	4.92
V	1.28	3.85	3.51	3.79	1.56	2.75
VI	3.31	6.40	2.00	2.67	4.43	3.76
VII	9.56	10.19	6.82	6.92	8.53	8.40
VIII	2.97	5.40	6.60	2.33	5.04	4.47
Tot. Average	5.03	6.98	5.27	4.90	5.81	5.59

Percentage of Pupils Who Were Conditioned — 1933 - 1937

Grades	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	Total Average Percent Condi- tioned
I	7.47	7.39	4.64	8.89	8.18	7.31
II	6.79	5.10	2.34	1.23	5.30	4.15
III	6.47	7.23	6.18	5.38	8.33	6.71
IV	10.11	7.96	10.34	7.60	8.43	8.88
V	7.29	9.53	7.77	8.70	11.31	8.92
VI	9.72	6.35	7.59	7.39	13.53	8.91
VII	15.66	14.68	15.96	8.41	11.23	13.18
VIII	19.98	15.25	10.75	13.88	9.38	13.84
Tot. Average	8.59	9.19	8.20	7.69	9.46	8.62

CITY OF MELROSE

TABLE IV
SHOWING TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY AGES AND GRADES — AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1937

Age	Sp.	GRADES												Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12 P. G.	
5 yrs. old (5 to 6)		126												126
6 yrs. old (6 to 7)		193	117											310
7 yrs. old		17	185	83										285
8 yrs. old	1	1	26	193	100									321
9 yrs. old	1		2	41	223	102	4							373
10 yrs. old	2			5	46	185	114	4						356
11 yrs. old	8				9	34	184	97	3					335
12 yrs. old	3				2	13	56	169	126					369
13 yrs. old	9					1	17	55	187	65	1			335
14 yrs. old	10						3	15	41	214	48	1	1	333
15 yrs. old	9							9	19	84	208	39	1	369
16 yrs. old									5	32	82	202	49	371
17 yrs. old	1								1	6	29	60	190	292
18 yrs. old											3	19	54	87
19 yrs. old												2	23	27
20 yrs. old												1	5	6
Total	44	337	330	322	380	335	378	349	382	401	371	324	323	19 4,295

TABLE V
FINANCIAL SUMMARY — JANUARY 1, 1937—JANUARY 1, 1938

	Asked for by School Committee	Approp. by Board of Aldermen	Plus or Minus Transfers and Credits	Net Appro- priations	Expenditures	Balances
1. Salaries	\$336,339.00	\$336,339.00	—\$1,787.33	\$334,551.67	\$334,375.95	\$175.72
2. Textbooks and Supplies	15,000.00	13,500.00	+ 1,031.15	14,531.15	14,528.89	2.26
3. Other General Expenses	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,495.86	4.14
4. Plant - Operation and Maintenance ..	37,900.00	34,900.00	+ 971.18	35,871.18	35,862.46	8.72
5. Pensions	1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Totals	\$392,739.00	\$388,239.00	+ \$ 215.00	\$388,454.00	\$388,263.16	\$190.84

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Coolidge Grading	1,000.00	1,000.00	*\$ 38.46	\$ 1,038.46	\$ 946.21	\$92.25
Coolidge Heat Control	* 4,266.89	* 4,266.89		4,266.89	4,235.04	31.85
Winthrop School Fence	* 12.00	* 12.00		12.00	12.00	0.00
Gooch School Grading	450.00	450.00		450.00	392.31	57.69
H. S. Domestic Science	1,400.00	1,400.00		1,400.00	1,399.45	.55
Gooch Sanitararies	3,800.00	3,800.00		3,800.00	3,798.52	1.48
Coolidge Basket Trucks	1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	999.63	.37
Total	\$ 11,928.89	\$ 11,928.89	38.46	\$ 11,967.35	\$ 11,783.16	\$184.19
Grand Total	\$404,667.89	\$400,167.89	+ \$ 253.46	\$400,421.35	\$400,046.32	\$375.03

* Carried over from 1936

TABLE VI
DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENSES BY SCHOOLS, FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1937

General Control	Other Expenses	Teachers and Principals	Textbooks	Supplies	Janitors' Salaries	Janitors' Supplies	Fuel	Light and Power	Water	General Repairs	Furniture and Furnishings	Special	Totals
High School	\$428.62	\$112,352.04	\$2,337.98	\$2,937.40	\$7,753.95	\$691.24	\$2,186.54	\$2,635.76	\$318.49	\$1,402.71	\$117.69		\$133,047.77
Coolidge School	22.38	36,214.67	1,169.03	1,025.03	3,652.52	240.81	3,719.61	1,380.71	91.97	1,214.18			48,848.60
Franklin School		13,974.66	356.23	424.93	1,638.88	55.02	761.68	1,111.59	93.67	149.64			17,625.39
Gooch School	.75	9,223.46	199.48	204.34	1,746.00	50.64	551.11	131.99	48.38	411.43			12,562.15
Lincoln School	13.23	36,307.35	1,043.74	1,143.82	2,920.12	112.42	1,473.85	570.96	115.08	647.32	11.45		44,395.25
Ripley School		9,231.29	117.66	113.47	1,564.29	31.05	358.63	186.61	53.59	77.84			11,734.48
Roosevelt School		22,024.96	487.55	801.30	1,877.12	69.61	838.64	494.91	68	517.99			27,133.74
Warren School	13.25	6,139.28	53.99	112.32	1,299.18	19.56	796.65	80.70	32.43	374.16			8,908.66
Washington School		10,927.67	339.36	264.63	1,594.88	67.60	1,288.58	255.70	1	268.32			15,119.16
Whittier School		6,428.40	143.23	152.19	1,259.28	36.76	501.01	29.77	24.5	42.90			8,618.07
Winthrop School		23,249.28	492.40	608.81	1,968.2	147.03	1,026.42	441.44	134.74	1,206.26	180.95		29,458.22
All Schools	\$9,979.96	\$12,332.09			210.47		3.50			3,439.66	18.00		26,476.83
Tuition												\$2,993.99	2,993.99
Transportation												310.85	310.85
Janitors' Pensions												1,000.00	1,000.00
	\$9,979.96	\$298,405.15	\$6,740.65	\$7,788.24	\$27,512.47	\$1,551.74	\$13,512.27	\$6,320.14	\$1,092.57	\$9,752.41	\$328.09	\$4,304.84	\$388,263.16

TABLE VII

Cost per Pupil in Average Membership Fiscal Year 1937

	High Elementary	
General Control	\$3,253.47	\$6,726.49
General Control, per pupil	2.35	2.35
Teachers' Salaries	112,352.04	186,053.11
Teachers' Salaries, per pupil	81.00	65.08
Textbooks	2,337.98	4,402.67
Textbooks, per pupil	1.68	1.54
Supplies	2,937.40	4,850.84
Supplies, per pupil	2.12	1.70
Operation of School Plant	13,583.02	36,400.59
Operation of School Plant, per pupil	9.87	12.73
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds	1,402.71	8,677.79
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds, per pupil	1.01	3.04
Other Expenses	428.62	545.59
Other Expenses, per pupil	.31	.19
Tuition — Vocational and Evening		
Schools	\$2,993.99	
Transportation	310.85	
Janitors' Pensions	1,000.00	

The following tabulation shows the cost per pupil in Melrose for the past five years in comparison with the cost in other cities of the Commonwealth.

These figures were taken from the annual reports of the State Department of Education.

Year	Expenditure for Support of Public Schools from All Sources per pupil	Average for 39 Cities in the State	Rank among the 39 Cities in the State
1933	88.40	94.66	11
1934	84.88	87.65	12
1935	84.50	90.76	13
1936	88.32	100.27	16
1937	91.37	101.49	14

TABLE VIII
SHOWING ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE, ETC., FOR THE
SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1937

1. By Schools

School	Number of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollment	Number of boys	Number of girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
High	1423	714	709	1,371.29	1,313.28	95.95
Coolidge	522	258	264	507.66	486.15	95.53
Franklin	307	153	154	299.25	285.84	95.42
Gooch	155	81	74	152.69	144.45	98.18
Lincoln	529	292	237	529.69	500.28	94.32
Ripley	121	52	69	117.73	110.92	94.27
Roosevelt	345	170	175	342.26	331.03	96.81
Warren	139	60	79	138.36	127.88	91.91
Washington	264	143	121	257.93	243.45	94.20
Whittier	117	61	56	113.98	102.41	89.91
Winthrop	436	221	215	420.72	391.93	93.06
Total	4,358	2,205	2,153	4,251.56	4,037.62	94.51

2. By Grades

Grade	Number of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollment	Number of boys	Number of girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Post Graduate	17	8	9	15.01	14.52	96.73
Senior	266	131	135	263.84	253.00	95.89
Junior	364	183	181	350.37	334.92	95.59
Sophomore	378	187	191	358.34	342.27	95.51
Freshman	398	205	193	383.73	368.57	96.04
Eighth	367	183	184	368.00	355.98	96.59
Seventh	390	206	184	388.97	375.80	96.60
Sixth	347	169	178	340.10	325.32	95.51
Fifth	402	205	197	394.66	377.05	95.60
Fourth	352	183	169	341.57	323.39	95.49
Third	365	186	179	356.08	335.14	94.14
Second	325	166	159	316.21	291.40	92.18
First	334	156	178	322.55	291.97	90.71
Special	53	37	16	52.13	48.29	92.60
Total	4,358	2,205	2,153	4,251.56	4,037.62	94.51

TABLE IX
NUMBER OF TEACHERS IN DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS
JANUARY 1, 1938

Elementary	
Number full-time women teachers, excluding non-teaching principals	98
Number full-time men	5
Number non-teaching principals—women	3
Number non-teaching principals—men	1
Number special teachers and supervisors—women	5
Number part-time teachers—women	2
	—
	114
High	
Number full-time teachers—women	28
Number full-time teachers (excluding principal) — men	21
Number full-time principals	1
Number part-time teachers—women	1
Number medical advisors	1
	—
	52
	—
Total	166

TABLE X
REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

September 1936 to June 1937

Number of cases investigated	91
Number found to be truants or absentees	57
Number of complaints in court	4
Number placed on probation by court	1
Number sentenced to training school	3
Number of visits to schools	63
Number of visits to homes	82

TABLE XI
DENTAL EXAMINATION REPORT

Grades 1 - 8 Inclusive

June 1937	
Number pupils examined in schools	2910
Number pupils needing dental attention	741
Number pupils with all necessary dental work done	2169
Per cent needing attention	25.47
Per cent satisfactory	74.53

Melrose Hospital Clinic

Number appointments	962
Number patients	461
Number examinations	126
Number extractions	407
Number fillings	188
Number prophylaxes	475
Number treatments	63

TABLE XII**AVERAGE AGE OF PUPILS IN THE DIFFERENT GRADES****October 1, 1937**

Primary:	Grade 1	6 years 4 months
	Grade 2	7 years 3 months
	Grade 3	8 years 4 months
	Grade 4	9 years 5 months
Grammar:	Grade 5	10 years 4 months
	Grade 6	11 years 6 months
	Grade 7	12 years 1 month
	Grade 8	13 years 4 months
High:	Freshman	14 years 6 months
	Sophomore	15 years 4 months
	Junior	16 years 5 months
	Senior	17 years 5 months
	Post Graduate	18 years 0 months

TABLE XIII**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN
AFTER-SCHOOL CLASSES****November 29, 1937**

Piano	102
Violin	4
Trumpets	7
Art	63
Band — Advanced	47
Band — Elementary	36
Dancing	140

**INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL BUILDINGS
MELROSE, MASSACHUSETTS**

Name	When Built
Whittier	1884
Gooch	1886
Livermore	1891
Warren	1892
Franklin	1896
Lincoln (original building)	1896
Lincoln (addition)	1930
Washington (original building)	1896
Washington (addition)	1924
Coolidge (original building)	1897
Coolidge (addition)	1908
Coolidge Gymnasium	1936
Roosevelt	1924
Ripley (original building)	1924
Ripley (addition)	1930
Winthrop	1926
High	1933

ESTIMATED VALUE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

January 1, 1938

School	Bldgs.	Land	Furnishings
High	\$712,500	\$17,800	\$50,000
Coolidge	350,000	58,000	26,800
Lincoln	260,000	9,000	20,000
Winthrop	190,000	3,000	14,000
Roosevelt	177,000	2,000	15,000
Washington	137,000	5,000	7,500
Ripley	84,000	4,000	3,500
Franklin	86,261	10,000	4,872
Gooch	67,880	4,500	4,750
Livermore	50,000	6,600	1,500
Warren	25,119	3,000	2,500
Whittier	24,863	3,000	2,500
	\$2,164,623	\$125,900	\$152,922
Washington Playground	\$5,000		
Hesseltine School Lot	8,000		

RESULTS OF HEARING TESTS WITH AUDIOMETER**September 1937**

Number of pupils tested	2109
Number of pupils on first test showing a hearing loss of 9 or more sensation units in one or both ears	258
Number of pupils retested	258
Number of pupils on retest showing a hearing loss of more than 9 sensation units in one or both ears ...	59
Percent of pupils tested showing hearing defects	2.79%
Number of parents notified	59
Number of parents included in the above who were noti- fied last year	18

GENERAL STATISTICS

Population of Melrose	24,038
Number of different pupils enrolled, exclusive of re-en- rollment school year 1936-37	4,358
Number in High School	1,423
Number in Elementary Schools	2,935
Total approved school bills, fiscal year 1937	\$388,257.16
Amount expended for High School, fiscal year 1937 (exclusive of General Control)	133,777.62
Cost per pupil in High School based upon average mem- bership Jan. 1, 1937 to Jan. 1, 1938 (1387)	96.45
Amount expended for Elementary Schools, fiscal year 1937 (exclusive of General Control)	251,485.55
Cost per pupil in Elementary Schools based upon aver- age membership Jan. 1, 1937 to Jan. 1, 1938 (2859)	87.96
Amount expended for tuition (evening high)	36.60
Amount expended for tuition (vocational schools)	2,957.39
Number of School Nurses Jan. 1, 1938	2
Number of Full Time Special Teachers and Supervisors, Jan. 1, 1938	5
Number of Part Time Special Teachers and Supervisors, Jan. 1, 1938	2
Number of Full Time High School Teachers, including principals, Jan. 1, 1938	50
Number of Part Time High School Teachers, Jan. 1, 1938	*1
Number of Full Time Elementary Teachers, including principals Jan. 1, 1938	107
Number of Part Time Elementary Teachers Jan. 1, 1938	*2
Number of pupils enrolled per full time teacher in High School, excluding principals, Jan. 1, 1938	30
Number of pupils enrolled per full time teacher in El- ementary Schools, excluding non-teaching principals ..	28

* Duplication

MELROSE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR LIST

(All A and B Averages in Four Years)

Frances P. Baillie	Conrad Guy Keniston
Robert E. Barnes	Dorothy P. MacRobert
Peter M. Benson	Naomi Murray
Barbara Brown	Kingsley G. Phillips
Phyllis M. Byette	Herbert A. Richardson
Sylvia L. Goodwin	Vernon G. Rogers
Dorothy I. Hilles	Helen F. Schueler
Bette Antoni Hines	Marcia C. Seward
Phyllis Marie Johnson	Marion W. Shirley
James J. Kane	Natalie E. Stevens
Thelma Jean Keating	Jeanette Weeks
Patricia Winship	

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

(Neither Absent nor Tardy for Four Years)

William H. Anderton, Jr.	Frederick Albert Janes
Arthur M. Blackstone, Jr.	Vera Kayarian
Orion Brown	Robert W. Lau
Robert Kimball Dickinson	Arlene L. Urquhart
Frederick B. Van Cor	

PRIZES AWARDED JUNE 1937

Levi Gould Medal
Marion W. Shirley

Washington-Franklin Medal	Laurence A. Lantz
Teachers' Club Scholarship	Phyllis Byette
Parent-Teachers' Association	Robert Hatch, Fred Janes
Per Aspera Scholarship	William Anderton
Ruth Ansell Morrison Scholarship	Mary Elizabeth Smith
Melrose Highlands' Woman's Club Award	Dorothy M. Newman
Masque and Wig Scholarship	Jean Merrill
Daughters of the American Revolution	Mary E. Smith
Freshman Girls' Club	Jeanette Weeks

Report of Soldiers' Relief Department

February 1, 1938

To His Honor, Mayor Robert A. Perkins,
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the following report of the Department of
Soldiers' Benefits for the year 1937.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Salary and Wages:		\$1,000.00
Receipts		
Expended:		
Salary of Agent	\$1,000.00	
	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

OTHER EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$275.00
Receipts		
Expended	\$240.90	
Balance	34.10	
	\$275.00	\$275.00

STATE AID

(Refunded by State)

Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Transfer 3396-A	\$500.00	
Transfer 3396	500.00	
Expended	1,315.00	
Balance	1,085.00	
	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00

MILITARY AID

(One-half refunded by State)

Appropriation		\$700.00
Expended	\$475.00	
Balance	225.00	
	\$700.00	\$700.00

SOLDIERS' BURIAL

Appropriation		\$300.00
No Expenditures		
Balance	\$300.00	
	\$300.00	\$300.00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation		\$33,000.00
Transfer No. 3396		500.00
Transfer No. 3396-A		500.00
Extra Appropriation No. 3407		5,000.00
Expended	\$41,932.42	
	\$41,932.42	\$39,000.00

Itemized Soldiers' Relief Expenditures:

Cash	\$35,718.00
Groceries	1,882.23
Fuel	1,579.97
Milk	482.22
Rent	928.00
Hospital	519.00
Doctor	634.30
Medicine	34.82
Shoes	80.40
Board and Miscellaneous	67.48
	\$41,392.42

Respectfully submitted,

Agent.

Report of Wire Department

February 2, 1938

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the annual report of the Wire Department for the year ending December 31, 1937.

Fire Alarm System

Six thousand feet of aerial cable were pulled in for Mutual aid connections between Melrose and Stoneham Fire Departments.

Two thousand and thirty-one inspections of box movements were made, making adjustments and repairs.

Six new boxes were installed.

All boxes were painted one coat of red.

Nine miles of weatherproof wire were pulled in.

One hundred and thirty-five cross arms were installed on new construction.

Ninety-three old cross arms were replaced.

Four hundred and twenty feet of tree moulding were installed.

Police Signal System

A new four-pen register and take-up reel were installed at Police Headquarters.

Nine hundred and three inspections of box movements were made.

Seven miles of weatherproof wire and eight miles of copper wire were pulled in.

One hundred and four cross arms were installed.

Three hundred and sixty-one batteries were installed at Police Headquarters.

Sixty-three police box batteries were renewed.

All boxes, red lights and pedestals were cleaned and painted.

Traffic Signals

Ninety-four inspections of control boxes were made making repairs and adjustments.

Three hundred lamps were replaced.

All control boxes and poles were painted one coat of green.

Inspection of Wires

Seven hundred and twenty-two inspections were made on sealed meters.

One hundred and seventy-three were made on defective wiring.

Four hundred and twenty-one were made on oil burners.

Nineteen hundred and five inspections were made on repairs, alterations and new work, making a total of thirty-two hundred and twenty.

Two hundred and fifty permits were issued to the Malden Electric Company.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. EDWARDS,

Inspector of Wires

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